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CASE STUDY



Saudi Aramco

"Your assessments were spot on."
Capital Acquisition Director

"Exactly what we were looking for."
Global Procurement Policy Coordinator

ABOUT THE CLIENT

Industry	Oil and Gas
Revenues	Hundreds of billions of dollars
Employees	Tens of thousands
Location	Middle East
BSI Service or Solution	Forward-Looking Supply Strategies Recommendations

Key Challenges
- Supplier price increases above cost inflation
- Long lead time complex equipment
- Significant disparities in lead times and prices between buyers for similar products
- Lower production rates from outdated drilling, completion, and other technologies
- Short equipment life due to counterfeit products

Why BSI was Selected
- "Supply chain economists"
- Trusted economic forecasting model
- Fact-based, numbers-driven analysis
- Leading edge analytics
- Research/consulting synergies
- Thought leadership
- Clear, simple, and objective
- Proven accuracy and reliability
- Over 15 years of repeat engagements

Project Scope
- 200 engagements since 2006
- $60 billion of capex reviewed
- $6+ billion of annual expenditure studied in detail
- 50 sourced categories in 10 groups of highly complex engineered equipment
- 1,500+ recommendations

Project Approach
- Economic modeling and forecasting
- Primary and secondary market intelligence
- Sourcing recommendations
- Quarterly reports
- Savings calculation tools

Financial Benefits Realized
- $1.7 billion+ (28%) savings identified ('cash' basis, excluding opportunity costs and production benefits)
- $60+ billion including production benefits
- 1.0 - 1.4% reduction in total corporate operating cost
- 4.0 - 6.7% increased in total corporate return on assets
- 280:1 payback on consulting services

Operational Benefits Realized
- Quicker delivery of equipment by identifying pockets of supplier capacity
- Lower inventory through local sourcing and lead time reduction
- Deployment of newer technologies

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