## Parts Committee

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## Points to Cover

- Repair Inefficiency
- Parts Replacement Inefficiency
- Components of an effective parts process
- Effects of Replacing Strategy
- Repair VS Replace profitability
$\diamond$ Replace Strategy Support Data
- Balanced severity/parts ratio


## Repair Inefficiency

- Labor capacity is constrained:
- Fewer technicians available
- Lower skilled techs
$\square$ Job for job, replacing is faster on body labor-time equals money!
- Replacing is more efficient with materials (no/minimal priming)
- Parts focus leads to efficiency as measured through gross profit per hour worked


## Parts Replacement Inefficiency

- Parts that create more labor (Used)
- When estimating processes are not properly organized
- Parts that don't fit without modification
- Time needed to get parts
- Replacements that are invasive to the vehicle structure (potential for inadequate repairs)
- Replacements leading to additional labor operations/delays (R\&I glass, additional refinish operations, etc.)
- Lack of effective/efficient parts procedures


## Effective Parts Processes

- Estimating / Blueprinting Processes
- Written Parts Policies
- Parts Ordering Procedure
- Parts Status Verification
- Parts Receiving Process
- Invoicing / Costing Process
- Delivery of Parts to Vehicle/Technician Bay
- Parts Return Process
- Credit Memo Tracking
- Backorder Parts Follow-up
- Stock Parts / Alternative Parts Processes


## Effects of Replacing Strategy

As parts sales increase ...

- Shops become more profitable
- Material profitability increases
- Labor GP \$ increase
- Overhead expense per parts $\$$ declines
- GP\$ per hour worked increases


## Repair VS Replace Profitability

- Conventional thought is that "repairing" yields a higher gross profit percentage.
- Job for job, repairing can retain more profit (\$ and \%)

Not true when considering time as a factor in the equation
TIME = PEOPLE!!!

Replacing Strategy =

## Shop Profitability Improves

## Time is the key factor to consider

## REPAIR CASE

|  | 40 |  | Sale |  | Profit | GP \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Body Labor | 5 Hrs | \$ | 150.00 | \$ | 82.50 | 55\% |
| Paint Labor | 1.5 Hrs | \$ | 45.00 | \$ | 27.00 | 60\% |
| Parts | 0 | \$ | - |  | - | 25\% |
| Body Materia |  | \$ | - | \$ | - | 30\% |
| Paint Materia |  | \$ | 22.50 | \$ | 6.75 | 30\% |
| Totals |  | \$ | 217.50 | \$ | 116.25 | 53\% |
|  | GP \% = |  | 53\% |  |  |  |
|  | GP \$ = | \$ | 116.25 |  |  |  |
| GP\$ / Hour $=\$ 17.88$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## REPLACE CASE



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\text { GP\$ / Hour }=\$ 32.81
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## Note:

Total Labor: (Indentical Task efficiency not considered in Paint shop) Only If we achieve an Additional labor efficiency of :
is it better from a GP\$/ Hour in this case to repair verses replace.
Repair Case must be $283 \%$ when replace case is $100 \%$

Replacing Strategy =

## Material Profit Improves

Material GP\% TO Parts \% of Sales


## Replacing Strategy = Labor Profit \$ Improves

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## GP\$ / Tech TO Parts \% of Sales

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## Replacing Strategy =

## Overhead exp per parts \$ declines

## Total OH TO Parts \% of Sales



Replacing Strategy =

## G GP\$ per hour worked improves

## GP\$ / HR TO Parts \% of Sales

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## Balanced Severity

- As parts as a \% of sales increases repairs may be faster, but severity also increases
- Must manage both sides of equation (repairing \& replacing)
- Current ideal ratio is $1: 1$ (\$1 parts:\$1 labor)
- Must be coupled with solid parts procurement processes
- Keep in mind advancements in technology and a future impact on parts mix

Thank you for the opportunity to present!

## Questions?

