



RHYTHM®
SYSTEMS

EMC
PRECISION



A RHYTHM SYSTEMS CASE STUDY

EMC Precision Streamlines Execution, Cuts Costs, and Boosts Innovation

MANUFACTURING

ABOUT:

EMC Precision is a family-owned precision machining company founded in 1925. Serving industries from heavy equipment to medical devices, they pride themselves on rapid response, high-quality output, and continuous innovation.

INDUSTRY:

Advanced Manufacturing

COMPANY SIZE:

Middle Market

LOCATION:

Elyria, Ohio

THE BUSINESS PROBLEM

Inefficiency Was Undermining Execution and Innovation

Despite nearly a century in business, EMC's team was stuck in what CEO Jeff Ohlemacher called a "Groundhog Day" cycle—solving the same problems every week. The team relied on Excel spreadsheets, lengthy meetings, and scattered notes to manage critical priorities. Innovation stalled, small issues snowballed, and execution lacked discipline and accountability. They needed a system to streamline operations, empower employees, and break the cycle.

"It felt like we were living the same week over and over—solving the same problems in every meeting. We knew we couldn't keep running the business this way and expect to grow. We needed a better system to get everyone aligned, accountable, and moving forward together."

Jeff Ohlemacher
CEO, EMC Precision

RESULTS

50%

REDUCTION
IN INVENTORY

40-50%

REDUCTION IN
PRODUCTION COSTS

30%

INCREASE IN
SPEED & EFFICIENCY



HOW RHYTHM HELPED

From Groundhog Day to Growth Engine

Rhythm Systems provided EMC with a structured framework to replace spreadsheets and disjointed meetings with centralized, collaborative planning. With Rhythm, EMC introduced a cadence of strategic annual and quarterly planning sessions, supported by Rhythm coaches and the platform's goal-tracking tools.

THE RESULTS - AND WHY THEY MATTER

By implementing Rhythm Systems, EMC not only stopped wasting time in meetings—they created a culture of empowered problem-solvers and innovators. Rhythm became the connective tissue between strategy and execution, helping EMC thrive in a competitive and cost-sensitive market.

- Sustained operational excellence and innovation culture
- Systematic problem-solving across plants
- Built a scalable, repeatable innovation system
- Designed and patented new equipment in-house
- Agility to support customer product launches quickly and efficiently

“If we didn’t have Rhythm Systems, it would take one - maybe two - extra full-time people just to keep track of everything we do to run our business.”

Jeff Ohlemacher
CEO, EMC Precision

