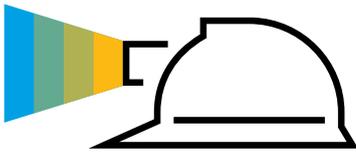


Enhancing Supply Chain Reliability Avoid Costly Production Interruptions

The Challenge

Even brief production interruptions in mining, which are often caused by critical supply delays, can carry impacts that quickly cascade beyond a company's "life of mine" plan, income statement, and investor confidence. Local mining communities and the fate of some of the most remote and economically vulnerable populations on the planet can hang in the balance. For large and small companies in the mining industry, high-performance supply chains delivering goods and services for planned, unplanned, and emergency work are vital to ensure the

short- and long-term economic sustainability of entire regions. The importance of supply chain integrity has become even more important in mining as a cost-avoidance strategy in a competitive landscape, which has been effected by historically low commodity prices over a sustained time period. In this industry, it is particularly important to maintain cutting-edge supply chain processes as a means to control both cost and risk. SAP® Ariba® solutions help organizations do just that.



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The Opportunity

Best-in-class mining companies realize value with SAP Ariba offerings and enable supply chain reliability in the following ways:

- Integrated with optimization systems for maintenance and supply chain in enterprise resource planning, SAP Ariba Supply Chain solutions equip miners to work efficiently with multiple tiers of contract manufacturers and suppliers across key supply chain planning and execution processes. Most important, this collaboration platform allows planners visibility into schedules of outages, critical maintenance parts, consumables, insurance spares, fuels, pumps, and other vital inputs to interact in real time and to respond to supplier inventory forecasts and plans. This complete supply chain visibility helps avoid costly delays and allows for faster response times to meet production targets.

- Buyers can be relieved of the administrative burden of nonstrategic long tail spend. And critical internal resources can be free to focus on what is most important to operations.
- With calibrated inventory levels and advanced settings for material requirements planning, mining companies can achieve their asset management expectations – and make deliveries in full and on time.

Let's Work Together

To learn more about how SAP Ariba solutions are solving the challenges of supply continuity and other mining challenges, please [contact us](#) or visit our [supplier management](#) solution page.



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