ISPE Good Practice Guide: Project Management for the Pharmaceutical Industry

11.1 Web Resources – Sample Checklists

1 Project Initiation: Feasibility Checklist

The following checklist can be used by Project Managers in preparing and reviewing the project business case and feasibility.

Feasibility

Business Case

What is the likelihood of this product successfully completing clinical trials?

How does this project fit with the organization's supply strategy? E.g., after launch will this product be moved to a lower cost country?

What countries will it be marketed in?

What are the licensing timelines?

Which regulatory bodies will have to be approached?

Are there any specific drug potency issues?

What are the potential sales volumes?

Is there new technology involved?

Is there a likelihood of introducing business risk to an existing process?

Does the extra cost of validation and the resource taken in submitting a regulatory license modification justify the outlay?

Does this project reduce patient risk?

Gatekeeping

Why is this project beneficial to the organization (Project Charter)?

Does it fit the organization's strategy?

What is the business benefit, (and is there an impact on operating costs)?

Is there an impending Regulatory change that is driving the need for this project?

Are there current Compliance issues that are being addressed by this project?

Is there a maximum capital spend above which the project does not become viable?

Can the project be delivered for less than this cost? If so what is the capital cost range and accuracy?

Have the key stakeholders been consulted?

Is there a list of options to investigate during the next stage (not essential)?

Is a simple project schedule in place, and are there any long lead items or lengthy activities which will dominate the schedule?

Are there any immediate constraints on the project?

What are the major risks and what is the strategy for their mitigation?

What funding/resources will be required to complete the next stage?

2 Project Initiation: Conceptual Development Checklist

The following checklist can be used by Project Managers in planning and executing the conceptual design phase of a project.

CONCEPTUAL DEVELOPMENT

Scoping and Organization

How the success of the project phase will be measured?

- i.e., for the Conceptual phase, a clear indication on which option provides the best capital choice What the team is to deliver?
- i.e., for the Conceptual phase, the deliverable is the capital cost information to allow a decision to be made on options

How the team will go about delivering it?

How the team will be organized and managed?

How the team will communicate internally and with external bodies, including how it will report progress?

Project Strategy

Project Purpose

Business Objectives

Project Objectives

Scope Description Overview

Schedule Milestones

Organization Chart

- Roles and Responsibilities
- Project Governance

Critical Issues

Previous Project Lessons

Portfolio/Program Impacts

Impact of other Projects

Design

Procurement and Contracting strategy (high level)

- Internal
- EPCM
- EP and CM
- EP and GC
- Design and Build
- Turnkey

Construction

- Labor Availability
- Transport

Testing – Commissioning and Qualification strategy (high level)

Handover strategy (high level)

Project Phases

Feasibility

Conceptual Development

Project Delivery Planning

Detailed Design

Procurement

Construction

Commissioning

Qualification

Validation

Commercial Production

Site

Selection

Confirmation

Country

Location

Ownership

Infrastructure

Utilities

Demographics

Business Environment

Due Diligence

Ecology

Climate

Contamination

Boundary

Topographical

Geotechnical

Regulatory

cGMP

Licensing Authorities

Integrated C&Q

Verification

Permitting

Planning Permission

Fire Safety

Environmental

Water Discharge

Air Emission

Integrated Pollution Control

Technical

Process

Process Equipment

Piping

Clean Utilities

Instrumentation

Automation

Architectural

Civil

Structural

Black Utilities/Mech. Services

HVAC

Fire Protection

Electrical

Life Safety

Environmental

Safety and Health

Commissioning

Qualification

Validation

Design Considerations

Greenfield

Brownfield

Retrofit

Revamp

Demolition

Decontamination

Design Criteria

Corporate Standards

National Standards

Operability

Maintainability

Cleanability

Constructability

Flexibility

Sustainability

Expandability

Exit Strategy

Adjacency

Capacity

Energy Efficiency

Fuels

Redundancy/Standby

Control Philosophy

Shutdown Philosophy

Stakeholders

Business Mgt

Site Mgt

End User

Operators

Maintenance

Labs

Quality

Neighbors

Suppliers

Project Control

Corporate Investment Guidelines

Project Funding Rules

Taxation

Grants

Cost Estimate Accuracy

Cost Contingency

Sensitivity

Approval Authority levels

Cost of Capital

Currencies

NPV

Cash Flows

Project Budget

Capital Approval Dates

Value Management

Master Schedule Accuracy

Schedule Contingency

Risk Management

Benefits Tracking

Bridging Funds

Option Selection

Financial

Technical

Regulatory/Quality

Environmental

Supply Chain Logistics

Timing/Schedule

Risk - Political/Social/Economic

Future Potential

People/Skills

Gatekeeping

Are we agreed on a single option?

Does this option still meet the business objectives?

Is the business idea still sufficiently viable that we want to spend money to go to the next stage of PDP?

3 Pre-Construction Checklist

The following checklist can be used by Project Managers in planning and executing pre-construction checklists.

PRE-CONSTRUCTION

Project Scope

Formal description/write up

What's included?

What's excluded?

Unusual elements

Repetitive elements

Definitions and Terminology

Project Phases Start and Finish

Milestones

Mechanical Completion

Commissioning

Integrated Master Schedule

Stage Gate Funding Milestones

Design

Procurement

Construction

Commissioning

Validation

Commercial Production

Capital Cost Estimate

Stage Gate Funding Reviews

Value Engineering Reviews

Project Organization Structure

EP Organization

CM Organization

Commg. Organization

Validation Organization

Project Team Responsibility Splits

Design

Constructability Reviews

Path of Construction

Design Zoning philosophy

Architectural

Civil

Structural

Process Equipment

Utilities

Piping

Instrumentation

Automation

HVAC

Mechanical Services

Air Balance/Zoning Philosophy

Fire Protection

Electrical

HAZOP

Procurement Strategy

Procurement/expediting/site acceptance/PO administration to close out

Identify Long Lead Equipment

Bulk Materials Procurement Philosophy

Construction Location

Assessment of Construction Skills profile/deficiencies

Industrial Relations strategy

Local Site capability re Materials of Construction/Construction Techniques

Local Site – Construction "norms"/standard approaches

Local Site - Safety Profile/Industry Concerns

Local Site - Industry workload assessment

Construction Execution Strategy

Site Logistics Plan

Modularization Philosophy

Module Transportation – route to site "constraints/limits" on module sizing

Offsite Fabrication – local Site capacity/capability

QA/QC Philosophy

Sub Contracting Strategy

Pre Qualification

Sub Contractor Bid List

Contracting Strategy - split of work scope/no of packages/form of contract

Logistics

Temporary Site Establishment Sizing/Layout

Site Environmental Health and Safety Strategy

Construction Field Labor

Estimation of Peak Field Manpower

Definition of Project Workscope

Definition of "exclusions"

Project Risk Assessment

Handover

Client Requirements

Equipment Manuals

Regulatory Documentation

Commissioning Philosophy

Integration of Construction and Commissioning Philosophy with Validation Philosophy

Validation

Philosophy

Life Cycle

Start Up

Philosophy

Team