

G. Blake Keller
General Manager/Owner

EDUCATION:

- Master of Engineering Management** 6/03
Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
A collaborative program taught by faculty from Thayer School of Engineering and Tuck School of Business
- B.S. Mechanical Engineering, Special Honors** 5/93
University of Colorado, Denver, CO

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- General Manager/Owner** 1/07–present
Quality Sourcing Solutions, Hilton, NY and Ningbo, China
- Provide QC, Engineering, and Technical Sourcing to industrial product companies.
 - Manage all business and technical aspects of Quality Sourcing Solutions.
- Director, Engineering and Quality Control, China** 6/06 – 6/07
Thermadyne Holdings Corporation, Ningbo, China
- In addition to role as Director of Engineering, took responsibility for quality control of China-sourced and manufactured product.
 - Recruited and trained supplier quality team responsible for inspecting all shipments from China, resolving non-conformances with vendors, and developing ISO-compliant procedures. In the first six months of operation, inspected 580 shipments, identified and resolved non-conformances on 80 shipments.
- Director, Engineering - China** 1/05 – 6/06
Thermadyne Holdings Corporation, Ningbo, China
- Responsible for start-up of engineering services in China.
 - Recruited and trained engineering and quality assurance staff.
 - Designed and constructed test laboratory.
 - Spearheaded development of global vendor/part approval process, unifying procedures across multiple business units and geographic locations.
 - Qualified vendors in China, Malaysia, and Singapore.
- Engineering Manager** 1/03 – 1/05
Thermadyne Holdings Corporation, Lebanon, NH
- Project manager for plasma cutter development programs. Work with marketing to translate market need into engineering specification, plan program, qualify vendors/supply chain, and manage engineering team through development process.
 - Manage engineering prototype machining center, including supervision of technician and machinist personnel

Laboratory and Shop Manager/ Research Engineer

1/98 – 1/03

Creare Inc., Hanover, NH

- Manage all aspects of Creare's laboratories and fabrication facilities including setting budgets and supervising all technicians and machinists
- Manage budget, schedule, and daily activities of project teams
- Provide engineering support to thermodynamic, control systems, biomedical, and turbomolecular pump projects, including medical gas recovery, surgical robots, and hyperbaric/space medicine
- Attended the 40-hour hyperbaric physician course in support of studies involving decompression sickness in astronauts. Installed and operated a research hyperbaric chamber at a regional medical center.

Test Group Manager/ Test Engineer

6/95 - 1/98

OEA, Inc., Aurora, CO

- Manage operations and test personnel in airbag inflator test laboratories, both research and high-volume production
- Specify, program and configure data acquisition systems and transducers
- Develop test methods and procedures for new airbag inflator designs

Research Engineer

9/93 - 6/95

Hydrogen Consultants, Inc., Littleton, CO

- Perform automotive alternative fuels research utilizing hydrogen and hydrogen blends in internal combustion engines
- Perform research on space-suit cooling and portable fuel cells using metal and chemical hydride systems

MILITARY EXPERIENCE:**Tactical Command Post Controller**, part-time reservist

1/91 – 10/93

Colorado Air National Guard, Buckley Air National Guard Base, CO

Electronics Technician/Technical Instructor, active duty

3/87 - 1/91

U.S. Air Force, Lowry Air Force Base, CO

CIVIC/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:**Zoning Board of Adjustment**

8/01 – 3/04

City of Hartford, VT

Capital Improvement Committee

1/96 - 1/98

City of Broomfield, CO