

# Building Competitive Advantage in the 21st Century







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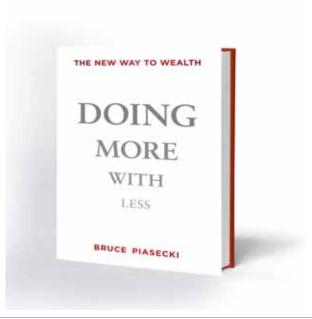
## Those that have shaped our view

#### **AHC Group Corporate Affiliates 2011**

- AECOM
- Aerojet
- AgriumARCADIS
- ARCADISArvinMeritor
- Aztech Technologies, Inc.
- Bayer Crop Science
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- Enolia Energy S.A.

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- Suncor Energy Inc.





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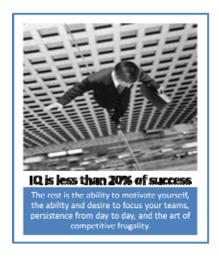
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# What did I learn from writing "Doing More With Less"?





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## What Skills Can YOU Learn From Reading This Book?

- One can refine the ability to retrigger moods and moves despite immediate hot emotions
- Go from Shakespeare's "hotspur" to a more reasoned action-based status
- How? Simple tools like keeping a self diary that moves you to discover self-restraint and social value in your competitiveness

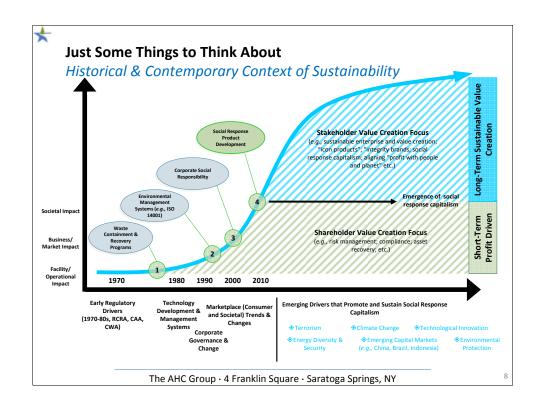
Bottom Line: These elements of human nature are the source of what the ancients called character and will.



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# Corporations Have an Imperative to Invest in Sustainable Design

# This is about... linking leadership with sustainability and innovation toward the shifting values of society... Which directly ties to corporate performance on... Revenue Reputation Reporting

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# Boeing's 787 Dreamliner is an Example of Sustainable Design Providing Competitive Advantage



#### **Key Impacts**

- ☐GHG Emissions
- □NO<sub>v</sub> Emissions
- ☐Noise Pollution
- ☐Resource Inputs
- ☐ Routing inefficiencies

**20% reduction in fuel consumption**: Improved fuel consumption from new engines, light-weight materials, and modern aerodynamics

30% reduction in  $NO_x$  emissions: Improved engine technology

**60% reduction in noise pollution:** Acoustically treated engine inlets and chevrons

Reduced manufacturing waste, End-of-life recycling: Manufactured with carbon composite materials instead of aluminum

**Reduced travel congestion:** Economically viable to fly to mid-size cities; less congestion at hubs and unnecessary connections



## Boeing's Investments in Sustainable Design Will Pay Clear Dividends for the Company



- Reduced fuel consumption
- · Lower disposal costs (recycling)



- · Less exposure to GHG regulations
- Seat at table in future legislation negotiations

Growth potential

- · Economically viable to fly into mid-size cities
- · Employee recruitment and retention benefits

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# Multiple Drivers Are Leading Companies to Invest in "Greening" their Internal Processes



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# Freeport McMoRan's Riverine Tailings Management System Addresses a Unique Situation

**Issue**: How to responsibly handle "tailings" (finely ground rock left after ore is removed) from a copper mine in Papua New Guinea.

#### Context:

- ☐ The mine is 4,000 meters above sea level in a seismically active area
- ☐ The region receives heavy precipitation
- ☐ Harsh terrain makes a pipeline infeasible
- ☐ A wide ocean shelf and shallow waters rule out deep-water discharge





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**Solution:** Freeport engineered a Tailings Management System that utilizes the Otomona River to carry tailings from the mountains to the sea in a controlled manner.

Risk

#### Mitigation Strategy

Contamination from tailings

Landuse

Resentment from local population

- Monitoring plan that analyzes aquatic biology, aquatic tissue, plant tissue, mine water, surface water, ground water, sanitary wastewater, and river sediments.
- Reclamation and revegitation program that includes developing agricultural and animal husbandry opportunities.
- Compensation for traditional users of tailings area and investment into local infrastructure.

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## New Market Dynamics Dictate that Companies Pay More Attention to Sustainable Design

Lifestlyes of Health and Sustainability (LOHAS) is a growing market segment in the United States that is composed of 41 million adults and represents a market opportunity of \$290 billion.



Companies can capitalize on this trend by producing products that allow consumers to live in a more sustainable manner.

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# Masco's "Environments for Living" Products Provide Value to Consumers by Helping them Save on Utilities



Homes in the *Environments for Living Certified Green* Program:

- ✓ Save at least 20% on household energy costs
- ✓ Save at least 20% on indoor water usage
- ✓ Have at least 20% lower GHG emissions

Environments for Living Snapshot	
Launch Date	2001
Total Homes	130,000+
Areas of focus	Energy efficiency, Durability, Indoor Environmental Quality, Water efficiency
Key Sponsors	GE, Owens Corning, Lennox, Demilec, Shaw Industries
Tiers	Environments for Living; Environments for Living Certified Green



# Opportunities Abound for Firms to Profit by Helping **Consumers Live Sustainably**



Home energy monitors



Specialized apps



Grey water systems

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# **Summary**



Companies are compelled to consider sustainable design in relation to:

- 1.The impact of their **products**
- 2.The impact of their internal processes

3. How their products enable people who buy them to live sustainably

Bottom Line: The firms that are able to best align their strategy with these trends, those who can do more with less, will be positioning themselves for future growth.