

## Background on Project

Haier engaged Convergence Data (CDS) to:

- Establish a data strategy to reduce the cost of direct materials
- Set up a global parts catalog for four regions (China, US, Mexico, and New Zealand)
- Provided a global competitive product teardown database and tool

**Industry**  
Appliances

**Technology**  
Windchill

## Our Approach



**Workflows for New Item  
Creation and Reuse**



**Managing Classification and  
Attribute Data for Windchill**



**Component Rationalization  
and Analysis**



**Establish Global Standard Parts  
Library for All Regions**

## CDS Methodology

- Applied 8-step methodology for parts classification
- Classified and enriched component data to drive findability of parts
- Established New Parts Introduction (NPI) governance process that integrates with Windchill PLM
- Leveraged analytics to expose direct materials and component parts spend

## Key Outcomes



**20% Average Reduction in  
Component Costs**



**35% Reduction in Components**



**25% Reduction in Direct Material  
Cost via Global Spend Rationalization**



**25% Improvement in  
Data Fill Across Components**