

Industry
Appliances**Technology**
Windchill

Background on Project

Whirlpool engaged Convergence Data (CDS) to:

- Establish a data strategy to reduce the cost of direct materials
- Become cost competitive to sustain economic down turns
- Drive component architecture that enabled the Modularity initiative

Our Approach

**Workflows for New Item
Creation and Reuse****Managing Classification and
Attribute Data for Windchill****Component Rationalization
and Analysis****Establish Parts Standardization
and Drive Findability**

CDS Methodology

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

Key Outcomes

**20% Average Reduction in
Component Costs****35% Reduction in Components****40% Reduction in Platforms****25% Improvement in
Data Fill Across Components**