



BIOGRAPHY

ANDREW WHITAKER (BBA)

Associate, Munro & Associates, Inc.

Andrew Whitaker joined Munro & Associates in August of 2013, providing both benchmarking as well as facility operations support. His facility support responsibilities included assisting with the maintenance, event coordination, and inventory control for a variety of OEM customer engineering teams at the Munro Knowledge Center, a dedicated automotive benchmarking facility. His benchmarking responsibilities have included key competitive benchmark reporting for multiple OEM vehicle platforms. In the summer of 2014, Andrew was promoted to Manager of the Munro Knowledge Center, and made responsible for directing support staff and daily operations at the Center.

Andrew's current technical benchmarking efforts involve the analysis of competitive product designs compared to customer's products, and developing design optimizations as well as cost and weight savings through a focus on lean design and manufacturing. As part of this process, Andrew is responsible for generating critical delta information by developing cohesive, unified benchmarked bills of material. Andrew has also helped Munro produce key studies on the current and future uses of lightweight materials in the automotive industry.

Prior to joining Munro, Andrew worked for the City of Wixom in both the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Public Works. Andrew currently serves with the Wixom Police Department as a volunteer Reserve Police Officer.

Andrew is a graduate of Davenport University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. While at Davenport he participated in the London-Paris-Barcelona study abroad program, and received multiple institutional scholarships. Andrew also earned an Associate degree from Oakland Community College, where he received training in the Automobile Servicing program and was a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. Andrew's unique and diverse background also includes active-shooter and firearms training, State of Michigan Firefighting and HazMat operations certifications, as well as state licensing as an Emergency Medical Technician. He also received hands-on vehicle extrication training at the General Motors Milford Proving Ground.

Originally from Detroit, Andrew now resides in Oakland County, Michigan. He is an active member of St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Walled Lake, Michigan.

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