

# 7 REASONS PERFORMANCE-BASED PAY OUTSHINES TRADITIONAL PAY



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VS

# TRADITIONAL PAY

### **OBJECTIVE EVALUATION**

Managers objectively evaluate employees through monthly performance scorecards.

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#### SUBJECTIVE EVALUATION

Managers subjectively evaluate employees according to preset schedules (annual, bi-annual or quarterly reviews).

## **PAY IS DYNAMIC**

Based on individual employee performance and company profitability.



#### **PAY IS STATIC**

Based on predetermined employee salary (hourly/annually).

# **OWNERSHIP MENTALITY**

Performance measurement reestablishes the connections between an employee's performance, organizational profitability, and pay.



#### **ENTITLEMENT MENTALITY**

Employees view pay and annual increases as entitlements rather than pay for performance.

# **INDIVIDUAL REWARDS**

Performers are rewarded based on their direct contributions and results.



#### **ACROSS-THE-BOARD REWARDS**

High performers are rewarded the same as poor performers.

#### **DATA-BASED MANAGEMENT**

Objective scorecard data are used to recognize and reward performance improvement, which creates an environment that fosters creativity and problem solving.



#### **EXCEPTION-BASED MANAGEMENT**

Without measures, managers often manage exceptions rather than reinforce improvements. This suppresses innovation and discretionary effort.

#### **SKILL-BASED PROMOTION**

Employees are promoted based on need and are given to employees who have the interest and skills to be an effective manager.



#### PRE-SET CAREER TRACK

Employees are promoted as rewards for good performance which takes the high performers out of their jobs, placing people into management who may be unmotivated and/or ineffective

#### **VARIABLE PAYROLL**

Employee total pay varies with company profitability. Diminishes the potential for layoffs.



#### **FIXED-COST PAYROLL**

Costs continue to increase regardless of net income. Increases the potential for layoffs.

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