KOTTER MODEL FOR LEADING CHANGE*

A Template for Organizational Change

| 1. | Establishing a Sense of Urgency: |
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| | a) Examining market and competitive realities |
| | b) Identifying and discussing crises, potential crises, and opportunities |
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| 2. | Forming a Powerful Guiding Coalition: |
| | a) Assembling a group with enough power to lead the change effort |
| | b) Encouraging the group to work together as a team |
| 3. | Creating a Vision: |
| | a) Creating a vision to help direct the change effort |
| | b) Developing strategies to achieve that vision |
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| 4. | Communicating the Vision: |
| | a) Using every vehicle possible to communicate the vision and strategies |
| | b) Teaching the new behaviors by the example of the guiding coalition |
| 5. | Empowering Others to Act on the Vision: |
| | a) Getting rid of obstacles to change |
| | b) Changing systems and structures that seriously undermine the vision |
| | c) Encouraging risk-taking and non-traditional ideas, activities, actions |
| 6 | Planning for and Create Short-term Wins: |
| 0. | a) Planning for visible performance improvements |
| | b) Creating those improvements |
| | c) Recognizing and rewarding employees involved in improvements |
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| 7. | Consolidating Improvements and Produce More Change: |
| 7. | a) Using increased credibility to change systems, policies that don't fit |
| | b) Hiring, promoting, and developing employees who can support vision |
| | c) Reinvigorating the process with new projects, and change agents |
| 8. | Institutionalizing New Approaches: |
| | a) Articulating the connections between new behaviors & corporate success |
| Strateg | b) Developing the means to ensure leadership development and succession |

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^{*} John P. Kotter, "Leading Change: Why Transformation Efforts Fail," Boston: *Harvard Business Review*, March-April, 1995, p. 61.