

PRIYA NATARAJAN

Senior Accountant, CPA | Corporate Accounting and Month-End Close

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SUMMARY

CPA with 9 years of accounting experience: 2 years in public audit and 7 years in corporate accounting for manufacturers and distributors with \$300M–\$450M in annual revenue. Own 6 balance sheet areas and 140 monthly reconciliations in NetSuite and BlackLine. Cut the month-end close from 9 to 5 business days; the last 2 external audits had no adjustments in owned accounts. Strong in US GAAP, ASC 606, ASC 842, and advanced Excel.

EXPERIENCE

Senior Accountant — *Corvane Industrial Products*

Mar 2022–Present

Private industrial equipment maker with \$400M–\$450M in annual revenue, 3 plants, and a 14-person finance team; NetSuite ERP.

- Run the month-end close calendar for 3 plants and 2 legal entities; cut the close from 9 to 5 business days in 18 months with a shared checklist and 22 new NetSuite saved searches.
- Prepare and review 140 balance sheet reconciliations per month in BlackLine; reduced reconciling items older than 90 days from \$1.2M to \$85K.
- Led the ASC 842 lease adoption for 37 real estate and equipment leases; recorded \$18.6M in right-of-use assets and lease liabilities with no audit adjustments.
- Prepare the quarterly flux analysis for the controller and 12 audit support schedules; the 2024 and 2025 external audits had no adjustments in owned accounts.
- Wrote 15 close procedures and review the work of 2 staff accountants; review notes per close fell from 40 to 12.

Staff Accountant — *Prairie Hearth Foods Distribution*

Jun 2019–Feb 2022

Wholesale food distributor with \$300M–\$350M in annual revenue and 6 warehouses; Microsoft Dynamics GP, then NetSuite.

- Prepared about 180 journal entries per close for accruals, prepaid expenses, payroll, and fixed assets.
- Reconciled 4 bank accounts and 2 corporate card programs with about 9,000 transactions per month.
- Rebuilt the fixed asset register for 2,400 assets and wrote off \$640K of disposed assets that the register still carried.
- Cut the monthly vendor accrual from 2 days to 4 hours with a Power Query template that pulled open purchase orders from the ERP.
- Mapped 1,100 Dynamics GP accounts to a new 420-account NetSuite chart of accounts during the 2021 system conversion.

Audit Associate — *Hollis Brandt LLP*

Sept 2017–May 2019

Regional public accounting firm with 4 offices and 140 staff.

- Performed audit fieldwork for 14 manufacturing and nonprofit clients with revenue from \$8M to \$95M.
- Tested internal controls over revenue, purchasing, and payroll for 5 clients and documented 60 control walkthroughs.
- Prepared the federal awards testing for 3 nonprofit single audits.
- Passed all 4 sections of the CPA exam in 14 months while working full time.

EDUCATION

North Prairie State University
Master of Accountancy in Accounting (MAcc)

May 2017

North Prairie State University
Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting

May 2016

SKILLS

Accounting: Month-end close, Account reconciliations, Journal entries and accruals, US GAAP, Revenue recognition (ASC 606), Lease accounting (ASC 842), Fixed assets, Flux analysis, Audit support, Internal controls

Systems: NetSuite, BlackLine, Microsoft Dynamics GP, Excel (Power Query, XLOOKUP, pivot tables), Power BI

CERTIFICATES

Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Minnesota, active
Minnesota Board of Accountancy

Apr 2019

Microsoft Office Specialist: Excel Expert
Microsoft

Feb 2021