

## Note; Sample Analysis, names and product type changed to protect privacy

### Acme Company Site Analysis, November 2011:

### Performed for Fake Company Marketing Resources

#### Overview:

- Site code is dated, and most pages contain substantial number of errors when compared with current web standards (tested by W3C Validation **some pages have several hundred errors**). An **upgrade to modern coding** is recommended.

<http://www.acmecompetitor.com/>

is an example of modern site style the Thing-A-Ma-Bob tools category.

<http://www.acmecompetitor2.com/>  
<http://www.acmecompetitor3.com/>

Are two alternate styles.

- A **content management system** (CMS) like Word Press, Drupal, or Joomla might be appropriate for a site of this size and complexity.
- An alternative to a content management system would be the use of **server-side includes** providing consistent (but easily modified) headers, footers and navigation for every type of page on the site. A single group of code would provide content for dozens or hundreds of pages.

There are a large number of functionality/navigation issues on many pages: For example, on

<http://www.acmecompany.com/dstlst/dstlst.html>

the logo in the upper left hand corner of the page is not a link to the home page, as most visitors would expect. A link to the home page is provided at the bottom, but it's small and hard to read.

- Best practice would be to developing a strategy to **upgrade appearance and functionality before engaging in extensive SEO work**. The site structure could change considerably, number and type of images would be changed, etc., and any SEO performed the current site could be lost in the transition.
- Domain Age (how long URL has been active) is very long (over 11 years). **This site has great potential to rank highly** with good on-page Search Engine Optimization
- Acme Company has **several hundred inbound links** from a wide variety of sites. This also enhances the potential of the site to yield good Search Engine Results Pages.
- Relatively few competitors for some very specific search terms such as "radiation emission calculator" and "widgetting spacer" **currently generate top three results**. Long-run SEO efforts (inbound link

building, traffic building, etc) could probably generate **first page results** for more competitive terms like “Karma Installation Tools.”

## Recommendations:

- An **HTML Site Map** would be navigationally helpful, and has SEO benefits. If not present, the site should have an **XML Site Map**.
- Several Hundred Pages are **missing the Description Meta Tag** – Keyword optimized tags should be supplied.
- **Page Titles are not Search Engine Optimized**. A few titles are too long (over 70 characters), but many titles are too short.
- Consider **Extensionless URLs** (www.name.com/page vs. www.name.com/page.html) in the revised site.
- Individual product page names should reflect the product. For example:

**<http://www.acmecompany.com/prod04.html>**

could be:

**<http://www.acmecompany.com/widgetting-function-monitor.html>**

- Several hundred pages have **duplicate content**. Every page should have a  
`link rel="canonical" href="http://www.acmecompany.com/whatever-the-name-is"`

**Canonical Tag** to help Google clarify the primary page for content.

- Create and/or link to a **Facebook** page for Acme Company – helpful for the links and web presence.
- Create a **LinkedIn** Page for Acme Company – helpful for the inbound link, and web presence.
- Create a **Twitter Account** for Acme Company – helpful for the inbound link, and web presence.

## Specific Code Changes:

### Home Page Clean Up:

**Doc Type Declaration appears to invalid, Validator cannot parse.**

#### Old:

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 3.2//EN">
```

#### New:

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/strict.dtd">
```

**Or whatever Doc Type is chosen for the new site.**

### Title Tag Change:

```
<title>Acme Company-Manufacturers of Professional Widget Covering Tools & Equipment</title>
```

#### to

```
<title>Acme Company | Professional Widget Tools, Equipment, and Widgetting Prep</title>
```

### Description Tag Addition:

```
<meta name="description" content="Professional Widget Tools for Gizmos, Do-Dads, Thing-a-ma-bobs, and Plastic Replacement Parts. Acme Company offers the Widget prep and installation tools and equipment for all types of dohicks.">
```

**New Navigation Bar at the top of the page; more options, eliminate “back” button, logo should be a home page link.**

### Addition of new header page content:

#### Old:

```
<META NAME="Author" Content="Hemmingway">  
<META HTTP-EQUIV="Content-Type" CONTENT="text/html;CHARSET=iso-8859-1">
```

#### New:

```
<META NAME="Author" Content="Hemmingway">  
<meta http-equiv="content-language" content="en">  
<meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1">  
<meta http-equiv="content-script-type" content="text/javascript">  
<meta name="robots" content="index, follow">  
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="styles.css">  
<link rel="shortcut icon" href="http://www.acmecompany.com/favicon.ico">  
<link rel="canonical" href="http://www.acmecompany.com">
```

**Note: This assumes the creation of a Favicon and a stylesheet.**

**H1 Heading Addition (replace text embedded in .jpg at top of page):**

```
<h1>Acme Company: Professional Widget Install Tool Manufacturers</h1>
```

**Top .jpg changes:**

**Change name:** “Home-Page\_04.jpg” to “Widget-equipment-image”

**Add alt text:** alt=“Widget-Prep-Equipment-Production-Action-Montage”

**“Where to Buy Acme Company” should probably be a button at the top of each page: “Buy Acme Company”**

**Replace:**

```
<td colspan="4" class="bodycopy"><span class="style13"><a href="power_glide.html">What's The  
Secret </a><br><span class="style14">behind the Widget Buddy's unique ability to combine high  
speed reconfiguration rates with a small size & weight and smoother ride?</span></span></td>
```

**With:**

```
<a href="power_Widget.html" title="Patented Widget Glide Articulated Suspension Reconfiguration  
Tool">  
<h2> Patented Widget Glide Articulated Suspension Reconfiguration Tool</h2>  
</a>  
<h4>Smooth Ride, Light Weight, High Dohick Traction</h4>
```

**Replace Map with <div> based graphic structure and provide alt content and informative, keyword-rich title tags for every element.**

## Sample First Level Subpage Code Changes:

### *distlist.html:*

<http://www.acmecompany.com/distlist/distlist.html>

change to:

<http://www.acmecompany.com/distributors/Widget-tools-distributors.html>

**Title Tag Change:**

```
<title>Untitled Page</title>
```

**To**

```
<title>Acme Company | Widget Equipment and Tools Distributors</title>
```

**Description Tag Addition:**

```
<meta name="description" content="Widget Equipment and Tools Distributor and Vendor Listing: US and International Distributors. Authorized Acme Company Widget Equipment Distributors">
```

### *toolofmonth.html:*

<http://www.acmecompany.com/Widgetofmonth.html>

Change to:

<http://www.acmecompany.com/Widget-tool-of-the-month.html>

**Title Tag Change:**

```
<title>Acme Thing-A-Ma-Bob Tools</title>
```

**To:**

```
<title>Acme Thing-A-Ma-Bob Tools | Authorized Widget Tools Distributors</title>
```

**Description Tag Change:**

```
<meta name="description" content="Manufactures professional Widget tools and equipment including bad idea removal, stuff handling and installation">
```

**To:**

```
<meta name="description" content="Memory Installation Tools and Equipment Distributor List. Includes including Bad Idea Removal, Stuff Handling and What-Ya-Ma-Call-It Installation.">
```

## *ptsidz.html:*

<http://www.acmecompany.com/ptsidz.html>

**To:**

<http://www.acmecompany.com/Widget-equipment-parts-index.html>

**Title Tag Change:**

```
<title>Replacement Parts Index</title>
```

**To:**

```
<title>Acme Company | Replacement Widget Equipment & Tools & Parts</title>
```

**Description Tag Addition:**

```
<meta name="description" content="Acme Company - Replacement Parts for Widget Equipment and Tools. Parts for Many Widgets and Related Equipment.">
```

## *videos.html:*

<http://www.acmecompany.com/videos.html>

**To:**

<http://www.acmecompany.com/Widget-tool-videos.html>

**Title Tag Change:**

```
<title>Acme Company - Videos</title>
```

**To:**

```
<title>Widget Equipment and Tools Videos | Acme Company</title>
```

**Description Tag Addition:**

```
<meta name="description" content="Widget Equipment and Tools videos produced by Acme Company. Widget product demonstration and instructional videos.">
```

## Additional Sample Page Clean Up (<http://www.acmecompany.com/prod24.html>):

Change page name from /prd24.html to /Widget-installation-tools.html

General Code Clean-Up and Elimination of On-Page Styling is Recommended.

**Title Tag Change:**

```
<title>Widget Installation Tools</title>
```

**To:**

```
<title>Widget Installation Tools | Widget Gadget Tool | Tucking Tools</title>
```

**Description Meta Tag should be added:**

```
<meta name="description" content="Widget Installation Tools, including the EZ-Tuck Widget Tucking Tool, and The Gadget Installation Tools. Acme Company - Your Widget Professionals!"
```

**H1 Heading Addition (Above Video at the top of the page):**

```
<h1>Professional Widget Installation Tools</h1>
```

**Provide Alt Content (static .jpg?) for embedded YouTube video that doesn't require Flash.**

**Change:**

```
<P><B>E-Z TUCK<BR></B><FONT SIZE="2"><B>#807</B><BR> <BR>
```

**To:**

```
<h2>E-Z TUCK Widget Tucking Tool #807</h2>
```

**Change:**

```
<IMG SRC="gadgettools.gif" WIDTH="300" HEIGHT="237" ALIGN="BOTTOM" BORDER="0">
```

**To:**

```
<IMG SRC="Widget-gadget-tool.gif" ALT="E-Z Tuck Widget Installation Gadget Tool Image" WIDTH="300" HEIGHT="237" ALIGN="BOTTOM" BORDER="0">
```

**Change:**

```
<IMG SRC="images/88998ph01.gif" WIDTH="300" HEIGHT="226" ALIGN="BOTTOM" BORDER="0">
```

**To:**

```
<IMG SRC="gadget-installation-tool.gif" ALT="Gadget Installation Tool Image" WIDTH="300" HEIGHT="226" ALIGN="BOTTOM" BORDER="0">
```

**Change:**

<P><B>Deluxe E-Z Booster</B><FONT SIZE="2"><B><BR>#808</B><BR>

**To:**

<h2>Deluxe E-Z TUCK Widget Booster Tool #808</h2>

**Change:**

<B>Gadget Tool 3 1/2&quot;<BR></B><FONT SIZE="2"><B>#857</B><BR>

**To:**

<h2>Widget Installation Gadget Tool 3 1/2&quot; #857</h2>

**Change:**

<B>#857C</B><BR>

**To:**

<h2>Deluxe 3 1/2&quot; Widget Installation Gadget Tool #857C</h2>

**I would recommend a change to a larger sans-serif font for readability.**

**There should be “call to action” link to:**

**<http://www.acmecompany.com/vendorlist/vendorlist.html>**

**in at least one place on the page.**