Author: Jonathan Ho, ENGL301 Student Revision Date: December 17, 2020 Subject: Progress Report on Formal Report with Survey and Interview Questions

Intended Audience:

- Michael Lam, owner of the intended SDM location
- David Wong, front store manager of the intended SDM location

Purpose:

Improving shelf-label/talker accuracy and efficiency at the SDM location

Significance:

Improving the accuracy and efficiency of shelf-labels/talkers will improve the customer experience, allow SDM employees to focus on other more meaningful tasks, and minimize losses due to the Scanning Code of Practice.

Research plan:

Identify problem:

- How many hours a week are spent on updating shelf-labels and talkers?
- How often do incidents occur that relate to labelling inaccuracies?

Primary data sources:

- Customer Surveys: Customers (anyone who regularly shops at a grocery/retail store)
- Employee Surveys: SDM employees and supervisors
- Interviews: SDM supervisors and managers

Secondary data sources:

• Research on current electronic shelf-labelling system offerings and features

Writing schedule:

- Nov 14 2020: Research secondary data sources
- Nov 16 2020: Begin interviews and surveys
- Nov 23 2020: Begin drafting formal report
- Nov 29 2020: Revise and edit draft formal report
- Dec 1 2020: Post draft formal report on team forum
- Dec 3 2020: Peer review team member's draft formal report
- Dec 11 2020: Revise formal report based on peer review
- Dec 15 2020: Make final revisions to formal report

Dec 17 2020: Post final formal report on team forum.

Survey/Interview Ethics Statement:

I am an undergraduate student at UBC engaged in a technical writing project. The purpose of the following survey/interview is to obtain primary data for an analysis and investigation that aims to provide recommendations for improving shelf-labels at Shoppers Drug Mart. Together with information sources researched online, this survey/interview will serve the ultimate purpose of providing recommendations for increasing the accuracy and efficiency of shelf-labels. The survey contains 5/5/7 questions and should take about 5/5/20 minutes of your time. Your responses are voluntary and anonymous. Thank you, I appreciate your generous participation in my survey/interview.

Customer Survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2T25ZK2

1) I have visited a store with paper shelf-labels.

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) N/A

2) I find paper shelf-labels ______ to read and understand.

- a) Easy
- b) Sometimes difficult
- c) Always difficult
- d) N/A

3) I have visited a store with electronic shelf-labels.

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) N/A

4) I find electronic shelf-labels ______ to read and understand.

- a) Easy
- b) Sometimes difficult
- c) Always difficult
- d) N/A

5) I prefer to shop in a store with ______ shelf-labels.

- a) Paper
- b) Electronic
- c) No preference

6) Comments (Optional):

Employee Survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C9YNFRX

1) In a week, I spend approximately _____ on activities related to updating price-labels and talkers.

- a) 0-30 minutes
- b) 31 59 minutes
- c) 1-2 hours
- d) 3-5 hours
- e) 6-9 hours
- f) 10 14 hours
- g) 15+ hours

2) On average, I work ______ per week at Shoppers Drug Mart.

- a) 4-8 hours
- b) 8 16 hours
- c) 17-24 hours
- d) 25 32 hours
- e) 33+ hours

3) In a week, I approximately encounter _____ incidents regarding shelf-label inaccuracies.

- a) 0
- b) 1-2
- c) 3-5
- d) 6 10
- e) 11+

4) My position is a ______ at Shoppers Drug Mart

- a) Cashier/Merchandiser
- b) Cosmetician
- c) Supervisor
- d) Assistant Manager
- e) Manager

5) I would prefer my Shoppers Drug Mart to have a(n) ______ shelf-label system.

- a) Paper
- b) Electronic
- c) No preference

6) Comments (Optional):

Interview Questions:

- 1) What are some things that you like about the paper shelf label system?
- 2) What are some aspects of the paper shelf label system that could be improved?
- **3**) How often are shelf-labels/talkers updated?
- 4) How much time do these tasks take?
- 5) How many labels are printed for each update/change?
- 6) How often do incidents involving shelf-labels come up?
- 7) What are your thoughts on an electronic shelf-label system? Better/worse? Why?