

CCPS Process Safety Beacon Information

The CCPS Process Safety Beacon is read by over half a million process safety and plant personnel in chemical, petrochemical, pharmaceutical, consulting, insurance companies, government agencies, and other organizations in the US and worldwide. If you are interested in helping us bring a process safety message to this world wide audience by sponsoring a future issue of the Beacon or making a direct contribution, please contact us at ccps_beacon@aiche.org. The Beacon's target audience is front line manufacturing personnel, so the topics must relate to process safety. If you have an idea and/or a photograph, send a note to CCPS at ccps_beacon@aiche.org .

How to Use the Beacon:

The aim of the Beacon is to provide a regular message for manufacturing personnel. This is a monthly offering, but is dependent upon the input of users like you. By sharing these messages, based upon actual incidents from companies, the content is more meaningful to operation personnel. The "Beacon" format is a one-page flyer with an eye-catching title, picture or graphic depicting the incident, text explaining the incident, the impact, how the error was corrected, and the lessons learned. While you may not have the same equipment or chemicals in your sites, the lessons learned are meant to be universal. Also, a single incident may have several causes and therefore more lessons than what can be highlighted in a single Beacon.

How you choose to use the Beacon is only limited by your imagination. The common use is during crew or toolbox meetings, safety meetings. Others post the Beacon in break rooms, locker rooms, or control rooms. Since the messages is sent to you electronically, the delivery method is in your hands. While the subtitle says 'manufacturing personnel', that can easily expand beyond operators and maintenance people to manufacturing supervisors, engineers, and management. The options for use are only limited by the terms of the copyright at the bottom of the Beacon – "All rights reserved. Reproduction for non-commercial, educational purposes is encouraged. However, reproduction for the purpose of resale by anyone other than CCPS is strictly prohibited."

How to Submit a Beacon Idea:

To keep this process safety tool operating, we need a supply of "raw material". We need a copy of incidents from your companies that have process safety lesson(s). (Please. NO personnel safety incidents that do not have a process safety connection.) Do not worry about the format . All we need is a picture (if possible) that depicts the incident, and 2-3 paragraphs explaining briefly, what happened, why did it happen, how it was corrected, and what were the lessons learned? Any reference to your company will be removed from the message. Submit the package to CCPS electronically (ccps_beacon@aiche.org), and a CCPS staff person will do the final formatting and editing. If you like, you can review the final draft of the Beacon to make sure it is correct, before CCPS sends it out to the users.

Languages:

All translations are done by volunteers who give their time and talents to supporting this publication. Our thanks and admiration go to these volunteers. We usually publish the Beacon in the following languages: Afrikaans, Arabic, Chinese, Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Greek, Gujarati, Hebrew, Hindi, Hungarian, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Malay, Marathi, Norwegian, Persian (Farsi), Polish, Portuguese (Portugal and Brazilian versions), Russian, Spanish, Swedish, Tamil, Thai, Turkish, and Vietnamese. If you would like to volunteer to translate the Beacon into one of these languages or into another language not

listed but needed, please send a note to ccps_beacon@aiiche.org. If we get enough interest in another language, we may be able to find a volunteer translator.

Registration:

Help us bring a process safety message to an even larger world wide audience each month by encouraging your colleagues to register at:

<http://www.aiiche.org/CCPS/Publications/Beacon/index.aspx>

Registration is quick and easy. After you register, the Beacon will be sent to you free each month via e-mail. During the registration process, you may choose to receive the Beacon in as many of the available languages as you wish.

Registered but Not Getting the Beacon?

Each month several people who registered to get the Beacon are not receiving it. Here is a list of problems that can cause delivery failures:

- * Your e-mail address changed and you did not re-register with your new contact information.
- * Your system is configured to reject e-mails from my ISP (att.net) and/or it is classifying transmittals from my ISP as Spam.
- * Your system is configured to reject or classify as Spam e-mails that have a large number of recipients (mass mailings).
- * Your system is configured to remove attachments from my ISP or to convert the attached .pdf files to .dat files.
- * Your mail box is full.

After three months of rejections, your e-mail is removed from our system. If you have receipt problems, please check into these possible causes. I cannot correct them for you. You will have to make the necessary corrections. Feel free to let me know about any other receipt problems that you have.

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