



Voluntary Protection Program
An OSHA Cooperative Program

OUTREACH
Meet & Greet

U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety & Health Administration

Learn about the Voluntary Protection Program Meet the OSHA VPP staff & VPP participants

Thursday, October 30, 2008

One session: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Refreshments will be available.

At the New England Institute of Technology • Warwick Campus

2500 Post Road
Warwick, Rhode Island 02886

Seminar Topics:

Introduction/Welcome:

David Buck, Ed.D., *Professor Emeritus, Keene State College*
Founder New England OSHA Training Institute Education Center

What is VPP?

Bob Sands, *VPP Manager, Region 1*
Department of Labor/OSHA

How does VPP Work?

Larry Newsom, *EHS Manager, Raytheon Company*
Integrated Defense Systems, Seapower Capability Center

Why VPP?

Darwin Irish, *Safety & Environmental Manager*
Flexcon Company, Inc.



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Speaker Bios:

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David is the founder of the New England OSHA Training Institute Education Center, is an OTIEC Outreach Trainer and has spent 25 years teaching and promoting Undergraduate Safety and Health Programs, Safety Graduate Program Director, Graduate Certificate in Safety and Health Management, Keene State College.

Robert Sands, CSP; Region 1 VPP Manager, Boston Regional Occupational Safety & Health Administration Office

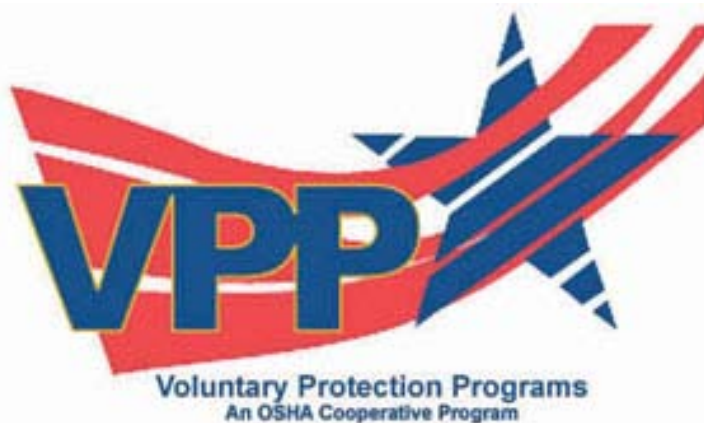
Mr. Robert Sands is the VPP Manager in the Boston Regional Office where his duties include VPP Program Management, VPP promotion, assisting employers in developing VPP Management Systems, and acting as Team Leader during VPP on site evaluations. Prior to his current assignment, Mr. Sands served in Boston Regional Office, Federal and State Operations, where his responsibilities included responding to congressional inquiries, screening significant enforcement cases, and drafting letters of interpretation. He was a compliance officer in the Methuen Area Office for 10 years. Mr. Sands is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Boston. He is a member of the American Society of Safety Engineers and is a Certified Safety Professional (CSP).

Darwin Irish, Safety & Environmental Manager, Flexcon Company, Inc., Spencer, Massachusetts

The facility was first approved as a Merit VPP in 1995 and has been Star VPP since 1998. As the 4th VPP site in New England, Darwin has been very active in the VPPPA for years. Darwin has held various positions on the Executive Board for the VPPPA and as VPPPA Mentor Coordinator. In addition, the site has been the recipient of the following Regional Star-Among-Star Awards: 2004 Bronze; 2005 Gold and 2006 Gold. The facility manufactures pressure sensitive materials such as label stock and currently has 51 employees.

Larry Newsom, EHS Manager, Raytheon Company, Integrated Defense Systems, Seapower Capability Center, Portsmouth, Rhode Island

Raytheon Portsmouth submitted its VPP application May 2008 and the OSHA VPP review team conducted the onsite on July 21-25, 2008. On August 18th the Regional Administrator submitted the site for Star pre-approval. We are currently waiting for the National Office approval. Raytheon already has VPP sites in Tucson, AZ and Aurora, CO. The site has approximately 1,686 employees and 150 contract employees. The site is dedicated to the development and delivery of critical seapower capabilities to the global joint battlespace. Raytheon SCC is a leading provider and integrator of submarine and surface ship combat management, anti-submarine, mine warfare, and integrated ship systems, as well as sensors and torpedoes for U.S. and allied fleets.



For VPP Information, visit:

www.osha.gov/dcsp/vpp/index.html