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Session Title: Making the Business Case for Ergonomics

Session Type: Roundtable

Session Start: 5/26/2005 1:00:00 PM

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Location: Convention Center 210 A

Description: "Sponsored by the AIHA Ergonomics Committee

Upper management and business owners often present the greatest barrier to implementing ergonomic or other environmental and safety-related initiatives. In most cases, a clear business case must be made and presented, compelling management to act. This roundtable presentation will break down the areas to address into a few basic components, and will offer user-friendly tools and methods to accomplish this task. Three areas associated with the "cost of doing nothing" will be identified: workplace injuries resulting in direct costs to an employer, the indirect costs related to such an injury, and costs related to productivity and efficiency issues. Another segment of the roundtable will tie these components together, demonstrating a simple, yet powerful method to cost justify ergonomic intervention. Two additional speakers will discuss alternative ergonomic cost justification techniques in the mining industry and selling internal programs to management at Motorola. Attendees should leave armed with a solid, yet simplified approach to selling ideas to management, rather than just taking the standard regulatory compliance stance."

Presentations: Jeffrey C. Tiedeman -- Arranger

John Rosecrance -- Moderator

Angie Dartt -- Monitor

Helen Chandler -- Monitor

Jeffrey C. Tiedeman -- Cost Analysis Tool and the "Cost of Doing Nothing"

James Boretti -- Indirect Costs – Myth or Real, A Background on Research Studies

Chris Shulenberger -- Cost Benefit of Ergonomic Interventions

Janet Torma-Krajewski -- Proving the Value of Ergonomic Programs

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