









Great Safety Leadership: The Only Way to a Zero Injury Culture

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### **BLS Preliminary 2012 Fatality Data**

### Oil & Gas fatal work cases = 138

• 23% increase from 2011. All-time high.

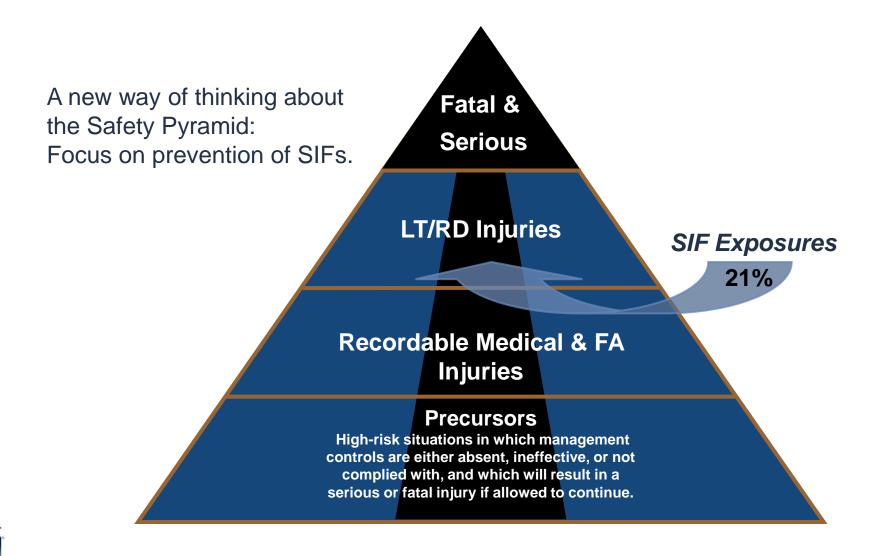
### O&G Contractor fatalities = 68

#### <u>States</u>

- North Dakota up 45%
- Texas up 24%
- Oklahoma up 8%



# A New Paradigm





# From Compliance to Commitment

- Compliance
  - Rules-based.
  - Do things to get something or to avoid punishment.
  - Break the rules when I think I can get away with it.
  - Safety is a priority only if nothing else is important at the time.
  - Do things right.
  - Minimum standard.

- Commitment
  - Risk-based.
  - Do safe behaviors because I recognize risk and because I am committed to safety.
  - Do safe behaviors even when no one is watching.
  - · Safety is a core value.
  - Do the right things.
  - · Go the extra mile.



### The Big Difference

### Manage Your Way To Compliance

Lead Your Way To Commitment



# US Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE)

### Characteristic #1 of a Robust Safety Culture

#### Leadership Commitment to Safety Values and Actions

"Leaders demonstrate a commitment to safety and environmental stewardship in their decisions and behaviors."



### What Most Leaders Aim For

- A culture that supports the idea of zero-injury, zerohurt, zero harm, 100% protection of the environment
- The relentless pursuit of understanding, controlling, and managing risk and exposure
- Establishing tolerable risk and mitigating residual risk

### Note – we are not talking about zero risk!



#### **Cultural Characteristics**

**Procedural Justice** Leader-Member Exchange Management Credibility Perceived Organizational Support Teamwork Work Group Relations Organizational Value for Safety **Upward** Communication Approaching Others

#### **Conviction and Value**

Self-Awareness Empathy Contact Responsibility Impact

Organizational Culture Best Practices Leadership Style

Personal Safety Ethic

#### **Leadership Best Practices**

Vision Credibility Action Orientation Safety Communication Collaboration Feedback and Recognition Accountability

#### ransformational Leadership Style

Inspiring Influencing Challenging Engaging





# **Critical Working Interface Behaviors**

- Lead great job safety briefs
- Pause work when exposure changes
- Report near-misses
- Verify that Life-Saving Safety Processes have high design integrity and behavioral reliability
  - Critical behaviors and conditions are in place 100% without fail



### What it Takes - Leadership Influence

#### Senior Leadership

### Middle Management

### **Front-Line Supervision**

**Front-Line Workers** 





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Establish near-miss as a leading indicator. Review monthly. Ask about those with SIF exposure. Call with a thank you. Visit site and ask workers for a tour of near-miss event. Middle Management

Ask weekly about near-miss reports. Seek to understand if any are SIF exposures. Thank my FLS for encouraging/supporting

#### **Front-Line Supervision**

Encourage workers to report and support them when they do

**Front-Line Workers** 

Report near-misses when they occur



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Respond and react in manner that encourages and supports front line. Understand those with SIF exposure. Support systems changes that result. Visit site and personally thank crew. Middle Management

Make regular contact with FLS and ask about pause-works. Understand those with SIF exposure. Support mitigation efforts. Communicate these successes upwards. Recognize /feedback

Collaborate with crew in job safety brief. Identify triggers for pausing work when exposure changes. Visit job and ask. Say thank you and show concern when they let me know.

Front-Line Workers Pause work when exposure changes. Re-establish new control. Let my supervisor know.



### Leadership Requirements for Zero

- Know what your SIF exposures are and how effectively they are controlled
- Understand the influence of your behaviors
- Advocate for your workers and trust them
- Create the climate for everyone to do great things









# Thank You



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