# VPP POWER GENERATION WORK GROUP

May 18, 2023

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#### 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Meeting

#### Your Facilitators:

Alex Miller
Sr. Regional Safety Manager & VPP Coordinator
Vistra Corporation

Kelli Heflin Director of Safety Onward Energy

## Safety Moment

Presented By:

Mark Miranda

Sayreville Power Plant





#### Safety Moment-

#### DON'T FRY DAY



#### Skin Cancer Facts with Statistics

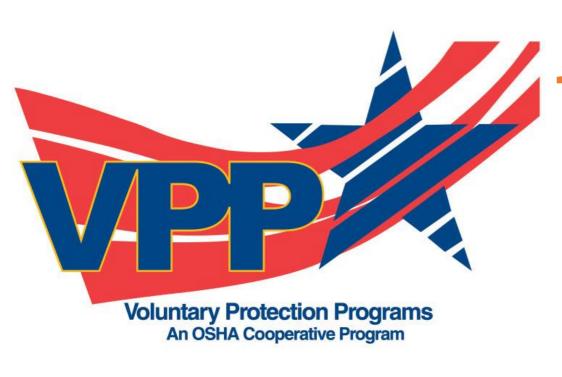
- Each year there are more new cases of skin cancer than the combined incidence of cancers of the breast, prostate, lung and colon
- It is estimated that one American dies every hour from skin cancer
- One in five Americans will develop skin cancer in the course of a lifetime
- The incidence of many common cancers is falling, but the incidence of melanoma continues to rise significantly, at a rate faster than that of any of the seven most common cancers
- Whether from the sun or an artificial source, ultraviolet radiation (UVR) is a proven human carcinogen

#### What you can do to be safe in the sun!

- 1. Do Not Burn
- 2. Avoid Sun Tanning and Tanning Beds
- 3. Cover Up
- 4. Seek Shade/Use Umbrellas
- 5. Generously Apply Sunscreen
- 6. Use Extra Caution Near Water, Snow and Sand
- 7. Check the UV Index
- 8. Get Vitamin D Safely

For more information and videos:

https://skincancerprevention.org/get-involved/dont-fry-day/



### **VPP Updates**

Since last meeting:

New VPP Applications Submitted or Accepted

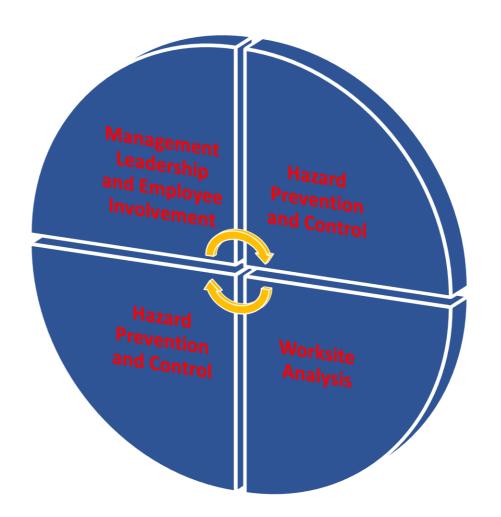
**Initial VPP Approvals** 

**VPP** Reapprovals



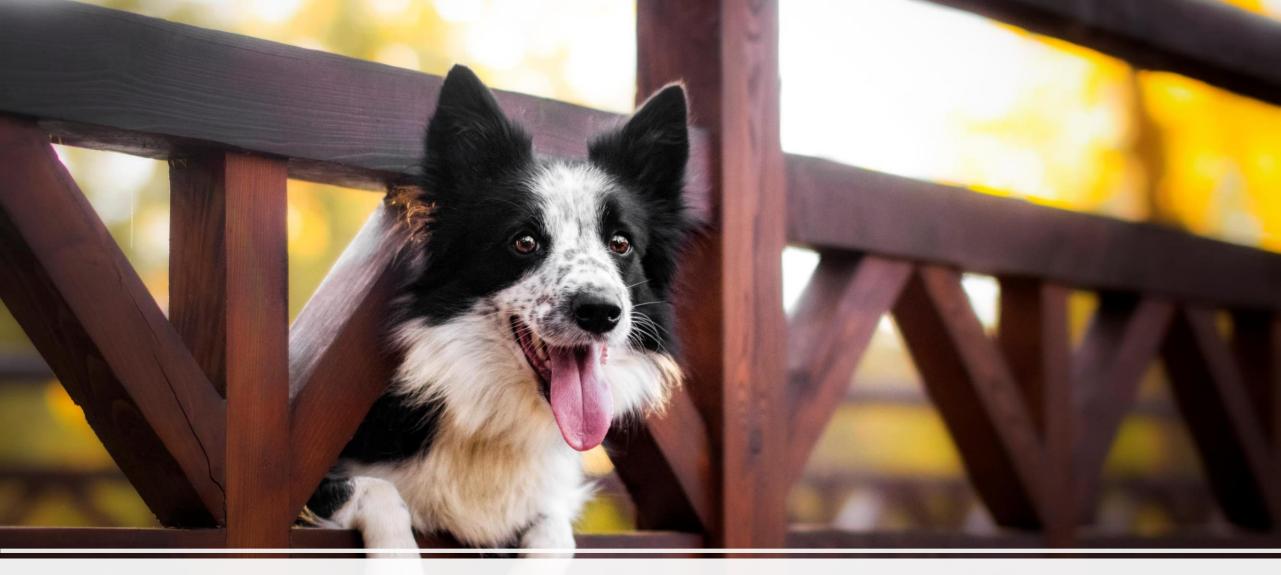
## VPP Element

Management Leadership/
Employee Involvement
Michael Circle
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## Management Leadership/ Employee Involvement By Kelli's Minion #1



Safety – The Emotion



Management Leadership

- Safety Culture starts from the top
- Management:
  - Must be committed.
  - Must be involved.
  - Must plan work with safety as priority
  - Must have CLEAR understanding of VPP/Safety and what it entails
- Safety as a budget line item

#### Management Leadership

- At the very LEAST it's just good PR
  - Audiences
  - What does Safety Priority say to the internal audience?
- At the very MOST it's safety culture
  - When safety is THE priority
  - When mgmt. is involved at every level
  - When mgmt. INSPIRES employee involvement
  - ...Safety Culture

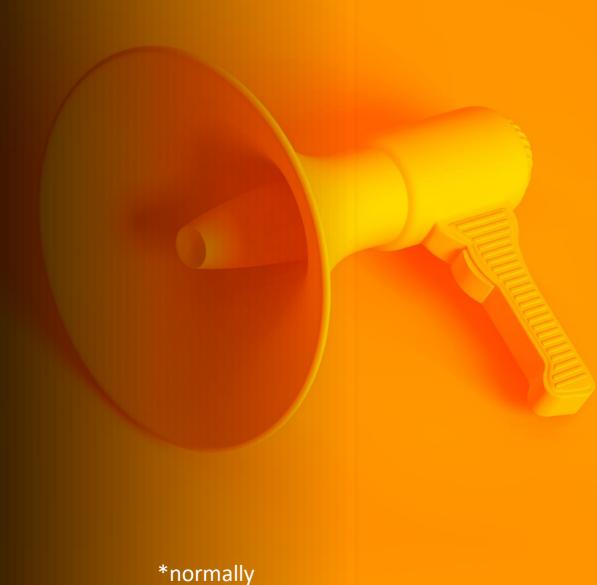




- Safety Culture Starts from the bottom
- ...and the top. And where they meet in the middle is safety culture.
- Employees at ALL levels must be willing to adopt safety and VPP as the priority
- With a seat at the table, employees feel heard and involved in their own safety

## Bunch of Safety Cops and Snitches

- Safety has a bad rep even today
- Safety vest and hardhat approach
- Why make it worse?
  - Workers do not go to work TO be injured
  - Workers' unsafe behavior is not intentional\*
- The psychology of safety and behavior should be understood by both Management and Employees







Management Leadership/ Employee Involvement

### Committee Updates





#### Newsletter Team – Michael Circle

• Q2, 2023 Delivered



 Send ideas, proactive topics, presentations, etc. by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

- Contact:
  - Michael Circle

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## QEW Team Update Darrell Bauman









#### Benchmarking

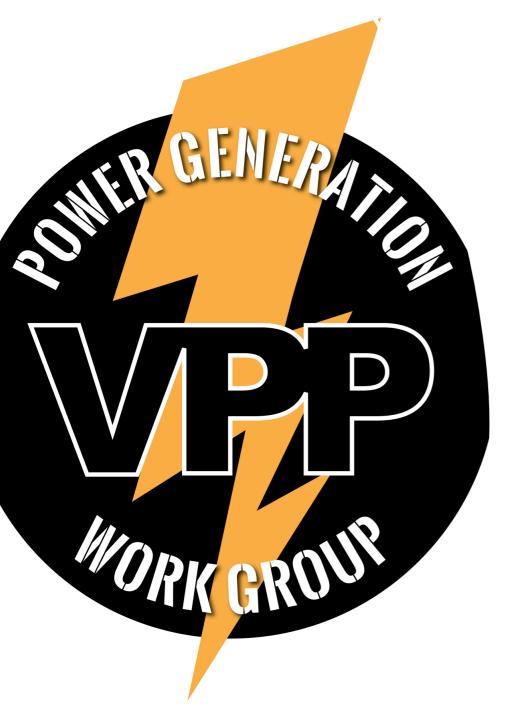
- 2023 Goal: Develop benchmarking questionnaire for deployment in Q1 2024
  - Auditing
  - Training Practices
- Team member volunteers? If not, we will selectively ask!



#### PGVPP Alliance Agreement

• Formally signed on March 10, 2023.





#### Open Discussion

**Questions?** 

**Suggestions?** 

**Discussion points?** 





#### 2023 VPPPA Conference Schedule

Region 1 - August 22 – 24, 2023. Southbridge, MA

Region 2 – In conjunction with Region 3

Region 3 - April 24 - 27, 2023. Kalahari Resort, PA

Region 4 – In conjunction with VPPPPA Safety+

Region 5 – June 14-15, 2023. South Bend, IN

Region 6 – May 22 – 25, 2023. Corpus Christi, TX

Region 7 – June 19-21, 2023. Branson, MO

Region 8 - In conjunction with VPPPPA Safety+

Region 8 Networking Day—June 8 (registration closes

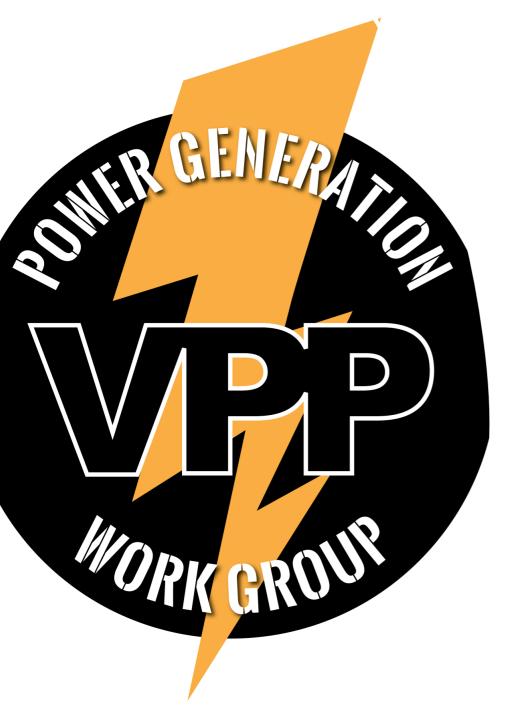
May 23)

Region 9 – In conjunction with VPPPPA Safety+

Region 10 – May 16-18, 2023. Kennewick, WA

VPPPA Safety+ - September 18 – 20, 2023. Orlando, FL





#### Next Call: August 17<sup>th</sup> 2023 Q3 Meeting

If you have not already done so, please enter your attendee names, site name and company name into the chat function on the Zoom meeting.

Send Suggestions or offers to volunteer to:

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Or

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# 2023 Meeting Schedule

February 16<sup>th</sup>

May 18<sup>th</sup>

August 17th

November 16th

Meetings are scheduled from 1430 – 1600ET (1230 – 1400MT)

