# VPP POWER GENERATION WORK GROUP

August 19th, 2021

Please check in on the chat function with your name, title and company. Feel free to add email





# 20213rd Quarter Meeting

#### Your Facilitators:

Kelli Heflin Manager, Safety & ESG Coordinator Onward Energy

Alex Miller
Regional Safety Manager and VPP Coordinator
Vistra Corporation

## Safety Moment

Presented By:

**Hud Griffith** 

Valencia Power

Belen, NM

















#### Some of the most common contents found in spill kits include:

- · Safety goggles,
- Gloves,
- · Disposable bags,
- Absorbent pads, and.
- Absorbent socks.





Monthly inspections of spill kits typically entail seal verification. Most see the seal, and forget about it.







During a monthly inspection, a technician found the seal on one of our spill kits, compromised.



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When the kit was inspected, the container disintegrated, and the contents were found to be depleted/unusable.



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Resultant to the incident, determination was made to remove spill kits and replace with complete, new kits every 5 years, and keep the kits out of direct sunlight.



# Keep Your Spill Kits Fresh!









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## **VPP Updates**

Since last meeting:

New VPP Applications Submitted or Accepted

**Initial VPP Approvals** 

**VPP** Reapprovals

## VPP Element

Employee Engagement – Kelli and Alex



#### Employee Engagement in VPP

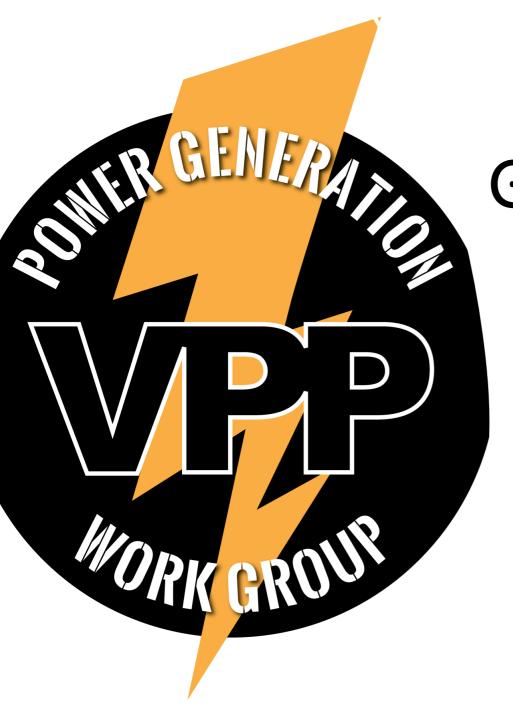
- Otherwise known as Employee Involvement
- One of the 4 main elements of the VPP
- If your employees aren't involved, you don't have a safety management system
- If your management isn't supporting employee involvement and listening to what employees are bringing to the table, you don't have a safety management system.
- If you ignore employee suggestions for continuous improvement, they won't participate any more.

#### How do you engage employees

- "Forced" engagement—through performance evaluations or safety observation program
- "Value Added" engagement—promoting ownership of a process/task, reward participation through recognition, open communication about process improvement—go to the people directly involved
- "Ownership" engagement Voluntary assumption of tasks / responsibilities
- If suggestions are not viable, ensure follow up to explain why something isn't viable, it could lead to another conversation about a more attainable option
- Ensure employees know that they are an important part of your safety management system

# Some areas that you can promote safety engagement

- Ownership of a process or area of site that responsibilities include process improvement, safety improvement or housekeeping
  - Assigned cleaning stations, safety system expert program, etc.
- Prepare training sessions
  - Have qualified and confident employees develop and/or deliver training
- Network or mentor other sites
  - Fresh Eyes visits, internal or external VPP mentorship program
- Safety committee or grass roots committee for process improvement
- Safety shorts videos
- Update written programs or procedures



#### **Group Discussion**

Reporting Leading Indicators: Near Misses, Unsafe Conditions, etc.

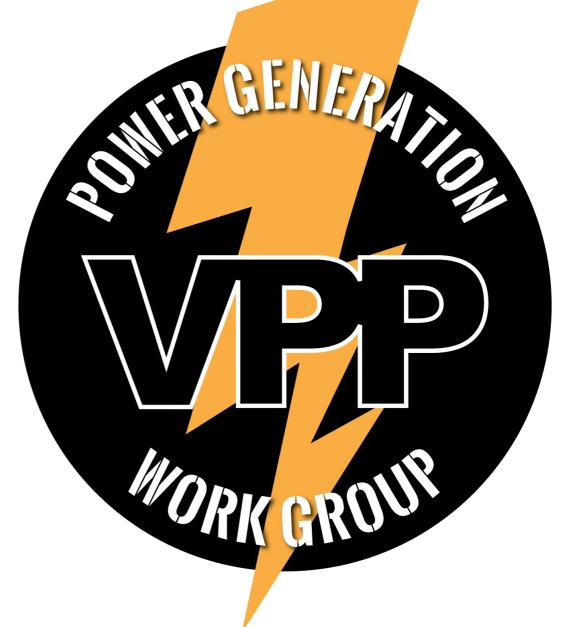
Differentiating between classifications.

How are they reported / used your sites?

Have you received feedback on these programs?

### Committee Updates







- Distribution of first newsletter 7/9/21
- Next Newsletter meeting will be released in early October



- VPP updates
- Company / site to highlight
- Person to Spotlight
- Contact Courtney Robinson Courtney.Robinson@Luminant.com









#### Planning Committee

Meeting 9/27/21 for 2022 planning and scheduling.

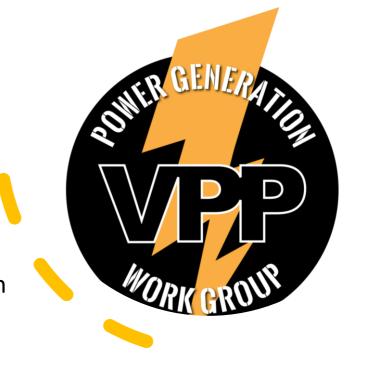
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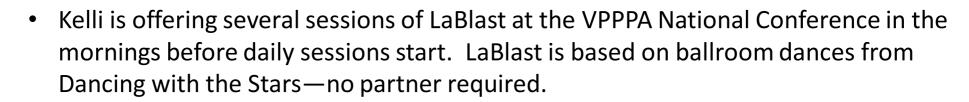
- Note-takers
  - May Dennis Isom, Prairie State Generating Company
  - August Pat Chmielewski, Kendall Power Plant
  - November Jason Shaw, Luminant
- Safety Moment
  - May Bob Bach, Dighton Power
  - August Hud Griffith, Valencia Power
  - November Greg Wilhelm, Ontelaunee Power Plant
- VPP Element Presenters
  - May Rich Brown, Region 2 OSHA
  - August Alex and Kelli
  - November OPEN



#### **2021 VPPPA National Conference**

- Kelli and Alex's will present "Power Generation VPP Workgroup – Using Others in Your Industry to Establish Best Practices"
  - Tuesday, 8/31 @ 1545





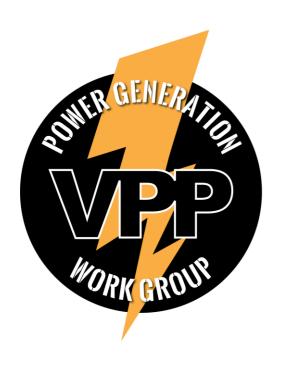
- 2 left feet? Awesome!
- No sense of rhythm? Great!
- If you can clap it, you can dance it!

LaBlast Fitness sessions:

8/31-7:15-8:00

9/1-4:45 - 5:30

9/2-7:15-8:00



#### **VPPPA In – Person Meeting**

Wednesday, 9/1 from 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM "Lincoln CDE" on the Presidential Mezzanine

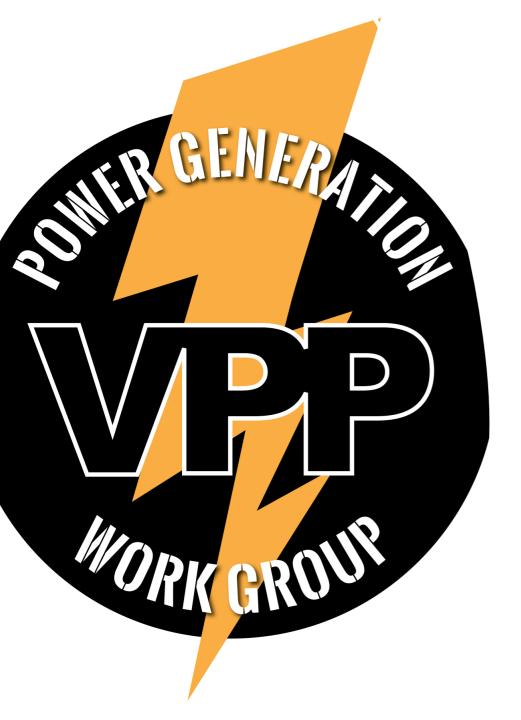
1. Roll Call / Introductions

2. Discussion on Direction of Group

- 3. Volunteer Request
  - 1. Committees
  - 2. Organization
  - 3. Planning



"VPPPA continues to follow the developing COVID-19 situation in Nashville, TN. The safety and health of our attendees and guests is of the utmost importance. As safety & health professionals, we encourage all Safety+ attendees who are not vaccinated to be tested for COVID-19 prior to traveling to Nashville. VPPPA will require that all Safety+ attendees wear a mask for the duration of the event and practice social distancing. Workshop rooms, the exhibit hall, common areas and receptions have all been designed with social distancing in mind. Hand sanitation stations will be readily available throughout the hotel and meeting spaces. We are relying on our community to help us get through this together and we strongly believe we can have a safe, educational, and memorable event by looking out for one another." - VPPPA



#### Open Discussion

**Questions?** 

Suggestions?

**Discussion points?** 



# 2021 Meeting Schedule

February 18<sup>th</sup>

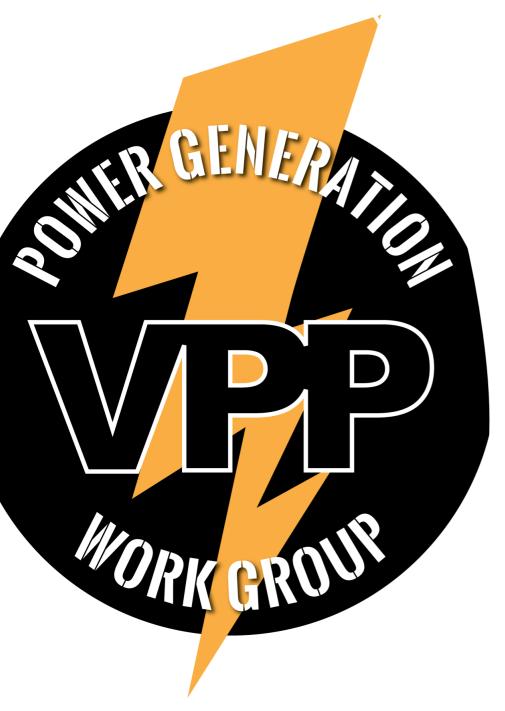
May 20<sup>th</sup>

August 19<sup>th</sup>

November 18th

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





#### Next Call: November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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:

Alex Miller – <u>alexander.miller@vistracorp.com</u>

Or

Kelli Heflin – Kelli.Heflin@OnwardEnergy.com