# VPP POWER GENERATION WORK GROUP

**November 18th, 2021** 

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# 20214th 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:

Greg Wilhelm

**Ontelaunee Power Plant** 

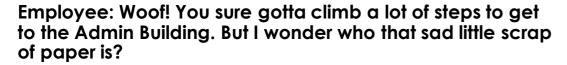
Reading, PA

\* Suggestion – increase volume



# I AM JUST A SAFETY SUGGESTION

Adapted by Greg Wilhelm from "I Am Just a Bill" a song by Dave Frishberg



I'm just a safety suggestion.

Yes, I'm just a safety suggestion.

And I'm sitting here at the Admin Building.

Well, it's a long, long journey

To the Admin Building.

It's a long, long wait

While I'm sitting in the Safety Committee

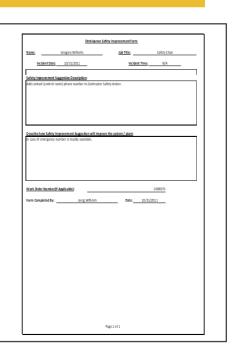
But I know I'll be an improvement someday

At least I hope and pray that I will,

But today I am just a suggestion still.







Employee: Gee, Suggestion, you certainly have a lot of patience and courage.

Suggestion: Well, I got this far. When I started, I wasn't even a suggestion, I was just an idea. Some folks back home decided they wanted to prevent an accident, so they called their local safety member and he said, "You're right, there ought a be a safety improvement." Then he sat down and helped write me out and introduced me to the committee chairperson. And I became a safety suggestion, and I'll remain a safety suggestion until they decide to make me an improvement.

I'm just a safety suggestion.

Yes, I'm just a safety suggestion.

And I got as far as the Admin Building

Well, now I'm stuck in the safety sub-committee

And I'll sit here and wait

While a few key safety committee members discuss and debate

Whether they should let me be an improvement

How I hope and pray that they will,

But today I am just a safety suggestion still

Let's incorporate the year

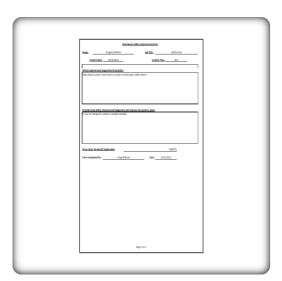


We can add the Control room phone number for emergencies Make the stickers different colors for different years so they are easier to spot.

Our Lame Contractor Sticker







Employee: Listen to those sub-committee members arguing! Is all that discussion and debate about you?

Suggestion: Yeah, I'm one of the lucky ones. Most ideas never even get this far. I hope they decide to report on me favorably, otherwise I may die.

**Employee: You might Die?** 

Suggestion: Yeah, die in the sub-committee. Oooh, but it looks like I'm gonna live! Now they vote on me.

Employee: If they vote yes, what happens?

Suggestion: Then I go to the full committee and the whole thing starts all over again.

Employee: Oh no!

Suggestion: Oh yes!

I'm just a safety suggestion.

Yes, I'm just a safety suggestion.

And if they vote for me in the Safety Committee.

Well, then I'm off to the Plant Manager

Where I'll wait in a line

With a lot of other suggestions

For the Plant Manager to sign

And if the he signs me, then I'll be an improvement.

How I hope and pray that he will,

But today I am just a suggestion still.

Employee: You mean if the whole safety committee says yes, you should be an improvement, the Plant Manager can still say no?

Suggestion: Yes, but the Safety Committee could make changes and then the Plant Manager could say yes.

Employee: It's not easy to become an improvement, is it?

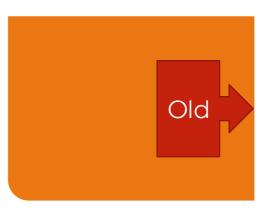
Suggestion: No, it's not!

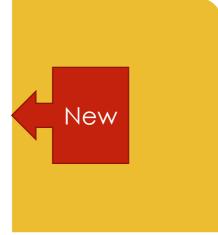
But how I hope, and I pray that I will, But today I am just a suggestion still.

Safety Committee Chair: The Plant Manager approved you, Suggestion! Now you're an Improvement!

Suggestion: Oh yes!!!









Employee: Rob Coit



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Safety Committee Chair: John Goodman

> Suggestion: Greg Wilhelm

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# **VPP Updates**

Since last meeting:

New VPP Applications Submitted or Accepted

**Initial VPP Approvals** 

**VPP** Reapprovals

# VPP Element

**VPP Self-Evaluation** 

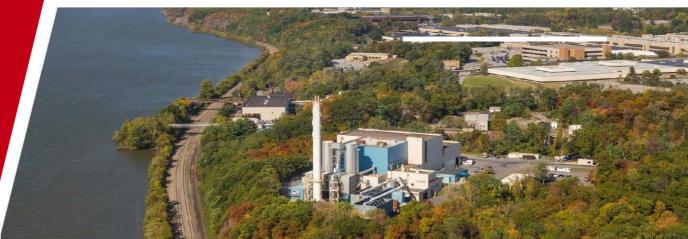
Ray Delfing Safety Training Manager, SGE





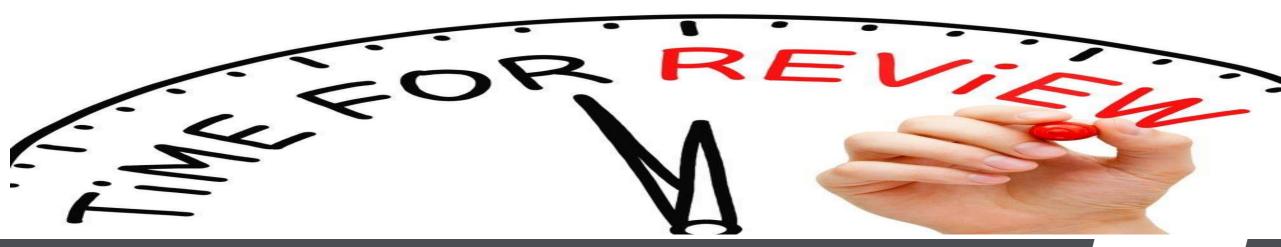
Power Generation Group Ray Delfing





### **Participation in VPP Requires**

- Each participant to "evaluate the effectiveness" of their safety and health management system annually.
- Include assessments of the effectiveness of all elements and sub-elements of the participant's safety and health management system.



### A Self-Evaluation Is Not A Compliance Audit

### The self-evaluation is:

- A critical review of all elements of the safety and health management system
- A review of participant and applicable contractors' injury and illness data and trends
- Progress toward Merit or 1-Yr Conditional (if applicable), or self-imposed goals
- Success stories (section G)

### **Self-Evaluation Sections**

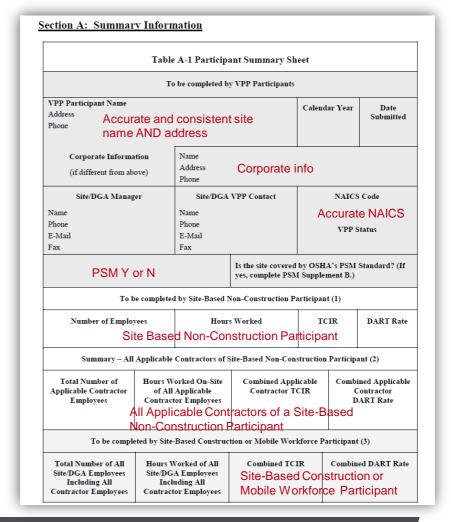
- Section A Summary Information
- Section B Injury & Illness Rate Information
- Section C Significant Events or Changes
- Section D Narrative Evaluation of SHMS
- Section E Summary Chart of Merit and 1YR Cond Goals
- Section F Best Practices and Success Stories
- Section G Program Impact and Effectiveness
- Section H Special Government Employees
- Section I Improvements to Your SHMS



# **Section A – Summary Information**

### **Table A-1 Participant Summary Sheet**

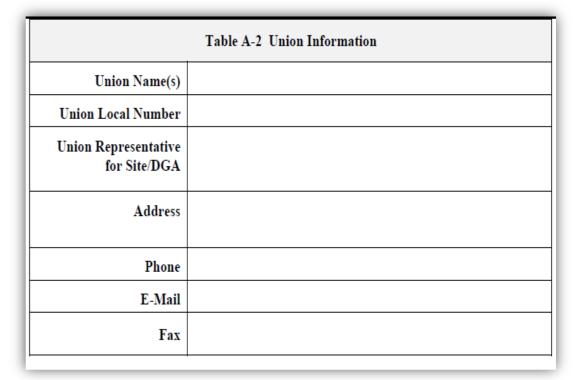
- Provide Participant Name and Address
- Provide Primary and Secondary points of contact
- Complete all applicable sections
- Do not delete sections.
- Enter N/A or NO as appropriate



# **Section A – Summary Information**

### **Table A-2 Union Information**

- One entry for each union on site.
- Copy the table as many times as needed. (10 Unions = 10 Table A-2s!)
- Verify and provide current/updated representatives and contact information
- If Non-Union workforce, enter "Non-Union" do not delete the table
- Frequent Deficiencies:
  - Table being deleted
  - Incomplete information provided



### Tables B-1 and B-2

- Table B-1: Site-based Non-Construction Participants
- Table B-2: Site-based Non-Construction Participants with Applicable Contractors
  - Provide a separate Table B-2 for each applicable contractor.
  - (10 Applicable Contractors = 10 Table B-2s!)
  - Applicable contractor is a contractor whose employees worked 1,000 hours or more at your site in any calendar quarter.
- Table B-1: Site-Based Construction and Mobile Workforce Participants
  - Submit combined work hours and combined injuries and illnesses of all employees.

### **Site Based Non-Construction Participants**

- Use Table B-1
- Include data for:
  - Your own site employees
  - Temporary employees and
  - Any contractor employees <u>regularly</u> <u>intermingled with and directly supervised</u> by your employees.
  - On the Participant Summary Sheet (see Section A, Table A-1), record the data in Table B-1.

VP	P Participa	nt's Record	lable Non-F	atal Injury and Illn	ess Case Incidenc	e Rates
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Year	Total Number Employees	Total Work Hours	Total Number of Injuries & Illnesses	Total Case Incidence Rate for Injuries and Illnesses (TCIR)	Total Number of Injury & Illness Cases Involving Days Away from Work, Restricted Work Activity, and/or Job Transfer	Days Away from Work, Restricted Work Activity and/or Job Transfer Rate (DART rate)
20XX						
20XX						
20XX						
Participa rate	nt's Three-	Year TCIR	and DART			
Most recent published BLS rate for NAICS code						
Percent above or below National Average						

### **Site Based Non-Construction Participants with Applicable Contractors**

- Use Table B-2
- Provide a separate Table B-2 for <u>each</u> applicable contractor
- Report applicable contractor injury and illness experience <u>only for work at the site</u>.
   Do not combine this data with your own site employee data.
- On the Participant Summary Sheet (see Section A. Table A-1) record combined data for all applicable contractors.

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**Applicable contractor** = A contractor whose employees worked 1,000 hours or more at your site in any calendar quarter

### **Site Based Construction & Mobile Workforce Participants**

- Use Table B-1.
- Submit combined work hours and combined injuries and illnesses of all employees.
- Include your own employees, including temporary employees plus all contractor/subcontractor employees.
- Use this combined data to calculate your site or TCIR and DART rate.
- On the Participant Summary Sheet (see Section A, Table A-1) record combined data.

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Participa rate	ant's Three-	Year TCIR	and DART			
Most recent published BLS rate for NAICS code						
Percent above or below National Average						

### **Increased Injury & Illness Rates**

- If your 1-year TCIR or DART rate has increased since last year:
  - You must identify and describe the contributing factors and corrective actions you have taken.
  - Include this information in the narrative evaluation of each related element and sub-element.
- If your 3-year TCIR or DART rate now exceeds the highest rate of the last 3 years
  published by the BLS statistics for your NAICS code, you must submit a separate
  document (Two-Year Rate Reduction Plan) based on your findings.
- Alternate Rate Calculations
  - May only be used if your site has LESS than 250 employees.

# Section C – Significant Events or Changes

### **Impact of Significant Events**

- DO NOT DELETE THIS SECTION!
- Describe the impact of any significant event, the change that occurred, and the steps taken to ensure
  or restore employee safety and health

### Examples include:

- Trending injury rates
- COVID-19 Response
- New/Change in Engineering Controls
- Change in management / ownership
- Building addition or demolition
- Change in business operations

- Corporate buy-out
- Any media attention (good or bad)
- Safety Awards or Achievements
- OSHA enforcement activity:
  - Inspections
  - Nonformal Complaints

### **Section D – Narrative Evaluation of SHMS**

### **Effectiveness of Each of the Four Elements**

- In narrative format, describe the effectiveness of each of the four VPP elements:
  - Management Leadership and Employee Involvement
  - Worksite Analysis
  - Hazard Prevention and Control
  - Safety and Health Training.



### Management Leadership and Employee Involvement

- Management Commitment
   a. Safety b. Health Protection
- c. VPP Participation
- 2. Policy
- Goals, Objectives, & Planning
   Visible Top Mgmt Leadership
- Responsibility & Authority
   Line Accountability
- 7. Resources
- Employee Involvement
   Contract Employee Coverage
- 10. Written Safety & Health Management System

### **Hazard Prevention and Control**

- 18. Certified Professional Resources
  19. Hazard Elimination & Control Methods
- a, Engineering Controls
- a. Engineering Controls
- b. Administrative Controls c. Work Practice Controls &
- d. Safety and Health Rules & Disciplinary System
- e. Personal Protective Equipment
- 20. Process Safety Management
- 21. Occupational Health Care Program
  22. Preventive/Predictive Maintenance
- 23. Tracking of Hazard Correction
- 24. Emergency Preparedness

### ership Work Site Analysis

- Hazard Analysis

   Routine Jobs b. Tasks
- c. Processes
- 12. Hazard Analysis
- a. Significant Changes b. New Processes
- c. Non-Routine Tasks i. Pre-use Analysis
- 13. Routine Self-Inspections
- Hazard Reporting System for Employees
   Industrial Hygiene Program
- 16. Investigation of Accidents & Near-Misses
- 17, Trend/Pattern Analysis

### Safety and Health Training

- 25. Managers 26. Supervisors
- Supervisors
   Employees
- 28. Emergencies 29. PPE

### **Section D – Narrative Evaluation of SHMS**

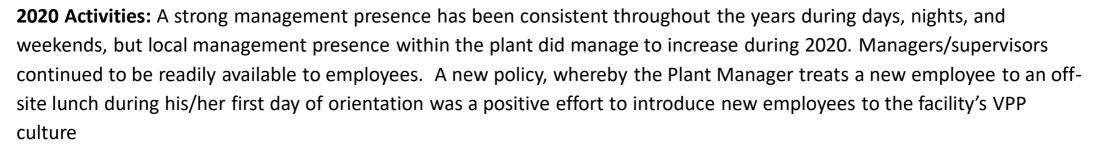
### **Effectiveness of Each of the Four Elements**

- Additionally, each <u>sub-element</u> should include:
  - Improvements made since the previous year
  - Any deficiencies that were identified,
  - Recommendations for improvement,
  - Names of person(s) responsible for fulfilling each new recommendation,
  - Target dates for their completion, and
  - Completion of the previous year's recommendations

### **Section D – Narrative Evaluation of SHMS**

### **Effectiveness of Each of the Four Elements**

### <u>Element 1 Sub-Element D - Visible Top Management Leadership</u>



**Evaluation of sub-element:** This sub element is effective.

**Recommendations for improvement:** Consider moving the Plant Manager/new employee lunch to the last day of orientation in order to gain insight from the new employee regarding the orientation process and content.

**Assignment of responsibility:** Plant Manager, Maintenance Manager, Fuel & Ash Manager, Safety Manager and Safety Committee Chairman

Target date for completion: June 2021 Mid-Year Review and December 2021 End of Year Review

Completion of the previous year's recommendations:



# Section E – Summary Chart of Merit and 1 Year Goals

### Only Required For Merit or One Year Conditional Status

- Provide update on progress towards meeting goal(s).
- If not applicable, just state "Not Applicable".

### **Section E: Summary Chart of Merit or 1-Year Conditional Goals**

Please fill in the table below, using as many rows as necessary to summarize all of the goals currently awaiting completion of implementation, either from the previous year or the current year.

Goal	Status
Goal 1:	
Goal 2:	
Goal 3:	

### Section F – Best Practices and Success Stories

### Describe any Safety and Health Best Practices or Success Stories from the Last Year.

- A summary or series of statements that describes NEW events, activities, outreach, improvements
  (engineering, work practices,...), or conditions that had a positive impact on the site's safety and
  health management systems throughout the year.
- Dollar costs associated with the "success" would be helpful especially if it can be shown that the savings (\$\$\$) out numbered the costs (\$\$) of injuries.
- Include anecdotal as well as statistical evidence of improvements, non-routine safety and health activities, outreach, etc.

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# **Section G – Program Impact and Effectiveness**

### **Overall Impact of VPP**

- Describe the overall impact the VPP has had on your workplace and employees throughout your participation (full term of VPP participation).
- Describe the impact the VPP has had on your workplace and employees during the last calendar year.



# **Section H – Special Government Employees**

### **Active SGEs at Your Site**

- List of all active SGEs at your site.
- List SGE qualifying activities completed during the year by each SGE:
  - Participating in VPP evaluations
  - VPP Mentoring
  - Hosting or teaching SGE classes
  - Presenting at VPPPA conferences
  - Reviewing VPP self-evaluations



# **Section I - Improvements to Your SHMS**

### Improvements to be Made Over the Next Year

- Describe what improvements will be made over the next year to make your Safety and Health Management System even more effective?
- What goal modifications do you have for your Safety and Health Management System for the upcoming year?

**Improvement** 



### Resources

### **OSHA Voluntary Protection Program - Resources**

- VPP Manager or your local Area Office Compliance Assistance Specialist
- Region VPPPA Board of Directors
- OSHA VPP website <a href="https://www.osha.gov/vpp">https://www.osha.gov/vpp</a>
- OSHA VPP Manual <a href="https://www.osha.gov/enforcement/directives/csp-03-01-005">https://www.osha.gov/enforcement/directives/csp-03-01-005</a>



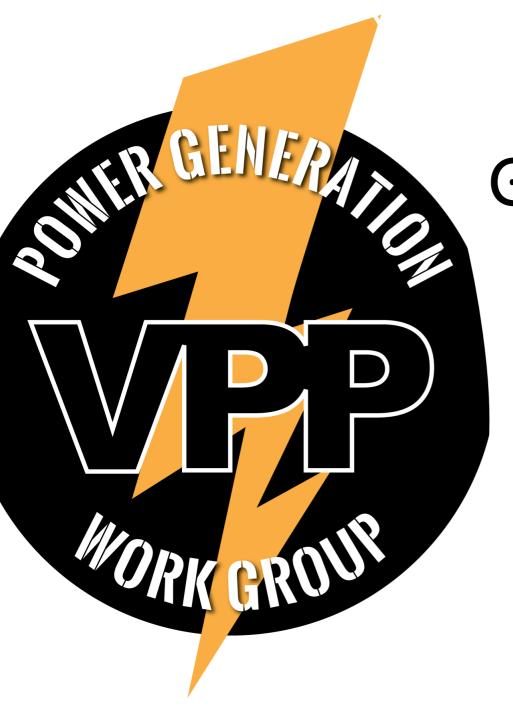
### Resources

### **OSHA Voluntary Protection Program - Resources**

- Review the following documents:
  - The Federal Register Notice July 24, 2000 (FRN)
    - Section O: Periodic Onsite Evaluations of Approved Worksites.
  - CSP:03-01-005, dated 1/30/2020 VPP Policy and Procedures Manual;
    - Chapter 5: Ways to Participate Site-Based
    - Chapter 6: Ways to Participate Mobile Workforce
    - Chapter 10: Preparation for On-site Evaluations.
    - Appendix A: Format for Annual VPP Participant Self-Evaluation Submissions
    - Appendix B: Instructions for Calculating Injury and Illness Rates



# Thank You



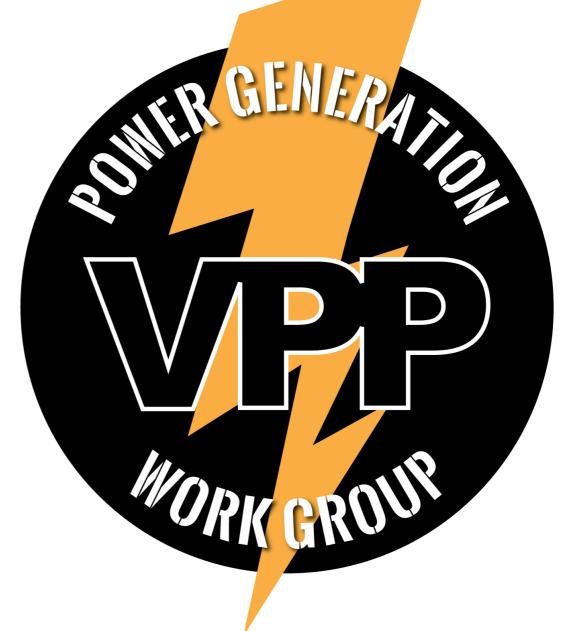
# **Group Discussion**

**OSHA COVID-19 ETS** 

How does your company plan to handle the ETS?

# Committee Updates





### Newsletter Committee

- Looking for 1 2 volunteers to assist in developing and publishing the "On the Grid"
- Looking for Newsletter Contributions
  - VPP updates
  - Company / site to highlight
  - People to Spotlight
- Contact Courtney Robinson

Courtney.Robinson@Luminant.com









### Planning Committee

- Met 11/ 10/21
- 2022 Volunteers
  - Note-takers
    - February Jennifer Pembleton
    - May –Jason Shaw
    - August Pat Chmielewski
    - November Courtney Robinson
  - Safety Moment
    - February Chris Trevino
    - May Ray Delfing
    - August Dustin Johnson
    - November Rob Coit
  - VPP Element Presenters
    - February Chris Trevino
    - May Alex and Kelli
    - August Hud Griffith
    - November Chris Magnuson

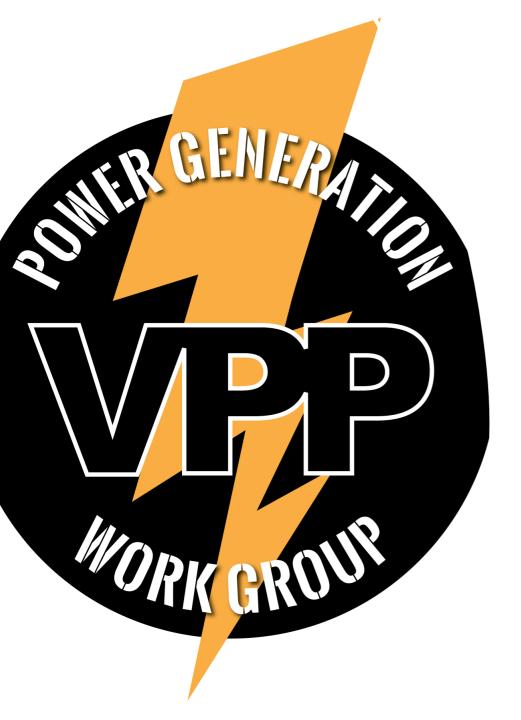
### Interested in Benchmarking?

- Looking for interested organizations / sites
- Soliciting Suggestions
- Topics Proposed
  - Fall Protection Solutions around Transformers
  - Training Programs for Qualified Electrical Workers
  - Pandemic Preparedness
- Contact Alex Miller

Alexander.miller@vistracorp.com







# Open Discussion

**Questions?** 

Suggestions?

**Discussion points?** 



# 2022 Meeting Schedule

February 17<sup>th</sup>

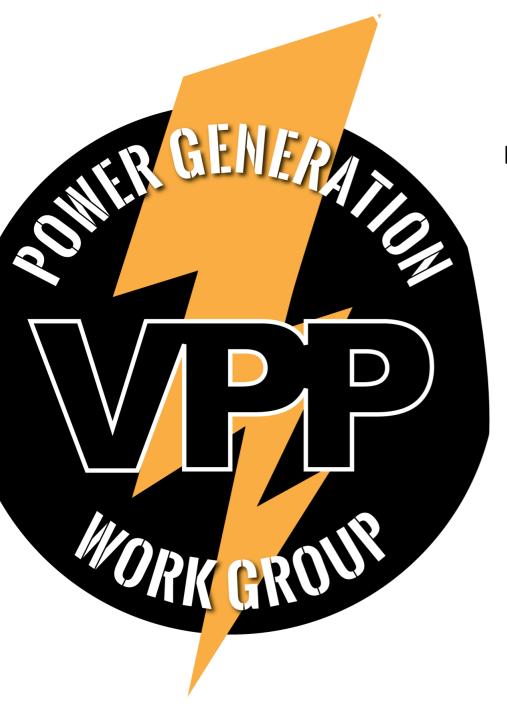
May 19<sup>th</sup>

August 18<sup>th</sup>

November 17<sup>th</sup>

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





# Next Call: February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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