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### **Driving the Safety Imperative**





### Hasn't the argument been won?

- Making the Business Case for Safety and Health: OSHA's website:
  - Costs incl. the Liberty Mutual survey (2007) estimate US industry bears \$52bn direct cost pa
  - Excellent help offered including: How to present the case
- ASSE: The Business of Safety
- HSE: 18 Large Company case studies
- Research & Academic Studies:
  - European Agency for Safety & Health at Work: "poor OSH performance can lead to competitive disadvantage" – case studies, 2004
  - Goldman Sachs JBWere finds valuation links in Workplace Health and Safety Data, Oct 2007
  - Safety Science: study of 455 Spanish firms. Findings show that safety management has a
    positive influence on competitive performance, Sept 2007
  - ASSE: Data-Based Evaluation of the relationship between Occupational Safety and Operating performance. "Results support anecdotal evidence that good safety is good business"

References: available on request



# Great Companies put Safety as a Value, a Commitment, a Responsibility



While Dow makes many key investments – in new products, in assets, in hiring and in retaining people – none is more important than the investment we make in the health and safety of our employees, our communities and the Environment

Dow: Our Position, Protecting Our Communities www.dow.com



The Chemical Company

We act in a responsible manner and support the Responsible Care® initiatives. Economic considerations do not take priority over safety and health issues and environmental protection.

BASF: Safety, Health, Environmental Responsibility www.basf.com



Keeping people safe is our top priority.

Shell: http://www.shell.com



At Alcoa, we strive to work safely in a manner that protects and promotes the health and well-being of our employees, contractors, and the communities in which we operate because it is fundamentally the right thing to do.

www.alcoa.com/sustainability



Health and safety is fundamental to the way we do business at BlueScope Steel. Our goal is Zero Harm, and we pursue this goal vigorously.

BlueScope Steel: CSE Report 2009



### **Contrary Voices & Conflicting Signs of Progress**

#### **Conflicting Signs of Progress**

- 2009, US Labor Dept. Workplace fatalities fell 17%, incidence rate declined too, but by less (3.3/100,000 from 3.7)
- 2010, ILO report on "Emerging Risks" estimates 2.3m fatal accidents & diseases worldwide in 2003, hardly changed from an earlier estimate

A. Karnani: Wall Street Journal: August 23 2010

#### The Case Against Corporate Social Responsibility

- Where private profits and public interests are aligned, CSR is irrelevant.....simply do everything to boost profits and end up increasing social welfare.
- Where profits and welfare are in opposition, an appeal to CSR will be ineffective, because executives are unlikely to act voluntarily in the public interest and against shareholder interest

#### A More Balanced View: Kevin Moss, BT Global Services (quoted at www.GE.com)

- We need to be able to articulate compelling and sound rationales of the benefit for the business as well as for the good achieved in the community.
- To remain relevant we need to be able to demonstrate this value using the same tools of quantification as the mainstream business, including return on investment.
- This is amplified most when the return on investment for the business and the benefit for the community are in conflict.
- Responsible businesses must have the courage to identify, articulate and quantify both sides of that conflict.

Source: US Labor Dept Figures quoted in WSJ 8/20/10

ILO 4/28/10: Emerging risks and new patterns of prevention

in a changing world of work

OUPOND.

### Our case is strengthened

If we show that the savings of safety:

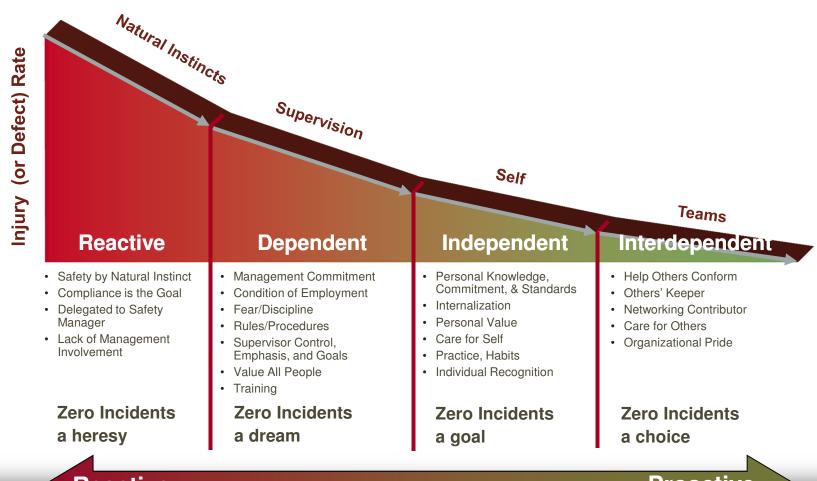
- Come not (only) from the <u>direct costs saved</u>,
- or even from the <u>indirect savings related to the incident</u>,
- But from what effective management of safety does for the effective management of the enterprise.....in other words for business excellence



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### How does Safety Culture Transformation occur? DuPont Bradley Curve



Reactive

**Proactive** 

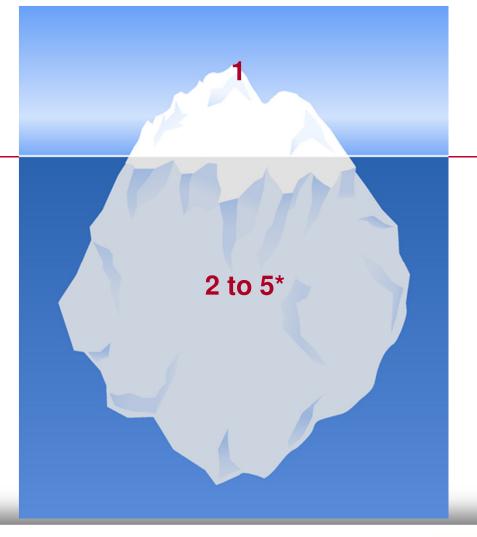
### **Cost Avoidance Iceberg**

## THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG Direct Costs of Injuries

Medical costs Wage indemnity Claims administration fees

## THE BULK OF THE ICEBERG Additional Costs of Injuries

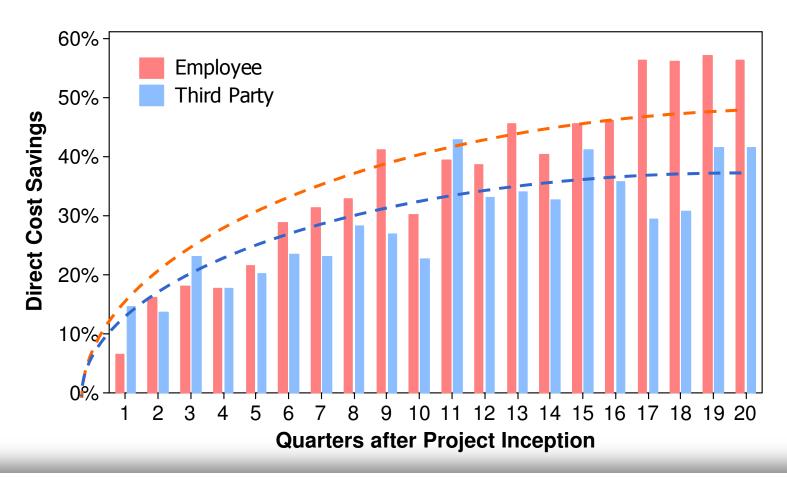
Damaged equipment, vehicles & goods
General Liability Costs & Litigation
Lost productivity and quality
Production Interruptions, Yield Losses
Replacement Labor / Overtime
Damage to Customer Relations &
Public Image



- UC Davis Medical School, 2004: 1:2.5
- Liberty Mutual Safety Index 2006: est 1: 2 to 5
- Construction Industry, 1990 ratio at 1: 11 to 45 www.curt.org/pdf/135.pdf



## Direct Cost Savings: Experience from 8 US Companies engaged in major safety projects – from project inception



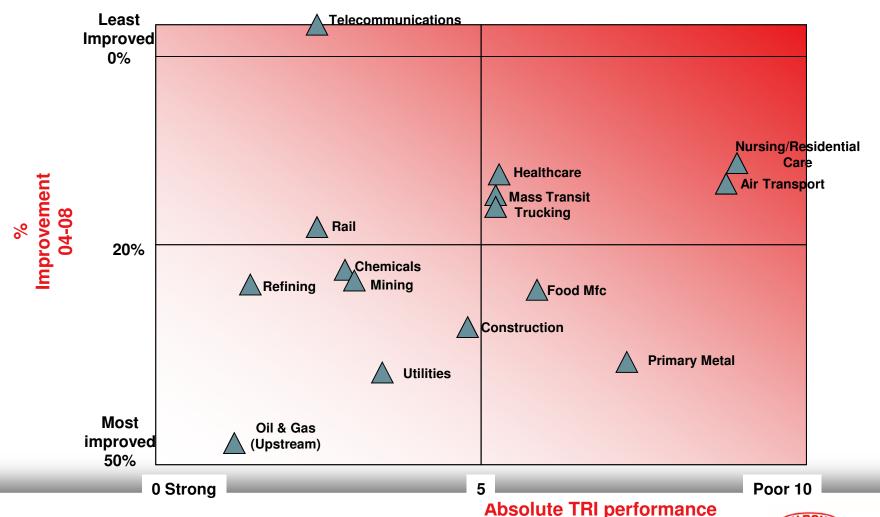
<sup>•</sup> Data represents average cumulative reductions in absolute no of workers compensation claims at 8 companies over continuous 5 year periods between 2000 and 2010

<sup>· 3</sup> companies dealing with public service users recorded the improvements seen in Third Pty claim rates over the same period

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## Whole Industries have improved dramatically over the last 5 years: where do they go for the next improvement?



**US Bureau of Labor Statistics 2004-2008** 

### What happens to the drive for improvement?

#### A Basic Change Equation:

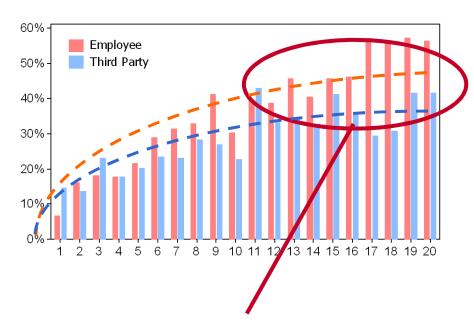
Dissatisfaction with the Status
Quo

Vision of a Preferred Future

Actions that can be taken now to start the change journey

Must be >

**Resistance to Change** 



What can happen to organizational motivation here?



### Something else happens on the road to zero

#### **Client Verbatims**

- "The safety transformation journey has been the most effective organizational & business transformation this company has ever undertaken"
- "The safety training that my leaders have undertaken has taught them how to communicate with and understand the shop floor"
- "The discipline of taking action on unsafe acts has shown us how to work on unproductive acts"
- "The central safety managing process has brought together our senior leaders and crossed functional lines so effectively that we have expanded it to cover manufacturing as a whole"

Organizations are telling us that there is a huge and important gain to their companies beyond the avoidance of cost



### The real iceberg

**Direct Cost of Injuries Avoided** 

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#### **Business Excellence Gained**

Capable Leadership
Improved Morale & Org integrity
Increased Productivity
Production & Reliability control
Improved Risk Profile & Right to Operate
Organizational Resilience:
Doesn't Change with New Leader
Doesn't Change with Business Cycles

**Business Excellence Gains** 

Costs

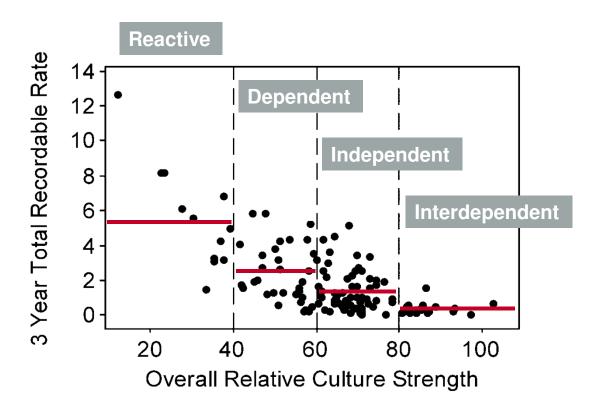
**Avoided** 



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# As Performance Improves, consistency of performance also improves



Average 3 Year Total Recordable Rate



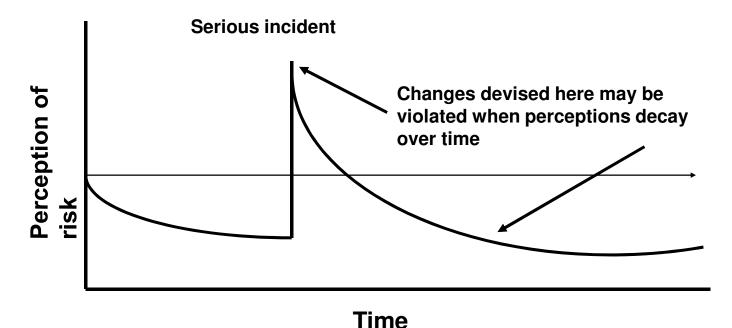
# DuPont's Benchmark World Class Criteria emphasize sustainability

- 'Benchmark Best' Companies
  - TRR < 1 over a 5-year period</p>
  - No fatalities
  - Lost Workday Frequency Rate < 0 .25 over a 5-year period</p>
  - No single year Lost Workday Frequency Rate > 0 .5 in a 5-year period
  - Site population > 200 employees



# **Sustaining The Gains: Toughest Phase of the Journey?**

- How effectively does the organization change over the long term?
- Does the organization require 'shocks' to facilitate change?



 These questions apply similarly to safety and to the wider strategic health of the firm



# THE REAL BENEFIT? IT'S ABOUT PEOPLE.



