“New OSHA”?  
(According to ASSP)

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Where do I come from?

• Industry – Shipbuilding and repair, summer jobs
• Academia – Taught a few OSH collegiate and undergrad courses
• Lots of volunteer stuff (AIHA, ASSP, SPCA, church work)
• Two precious granddaughters, one wife, one daughter
Where Do Y’all Come From

• Where is your waking energy spent? (A, I, L,C,O)
• IH? Safety? Environmental? Hybrid?
• Political gravitation?
• Kids? Grandkids?
Where To begin?

OSHA established in 1971
Successful? Unsuccessful?
ASSE/ASSP

• Founded in 1911 on the streets of New York
• Triangle Shirtwaist factory fire
• Frances Perkins
• 37,000 members; $18M annual budget
• 50 staff members
• HQ in Park Ridge (Chicago) IL
OSHA (Today)

- 2000 employees
- 40,000 inspections
- No current Assistant Secretary
- Deputy (Loren Sweatt) running things
Injury and Illness Stats

- TCR
- Fatalities
ASSP Recommendations for New OSHA

• From Compliance to Management of Risk
• Leverage Existing Resources
  - Establish NEP for fatalities
  - Expand third party auditing
  - Expand options for employers in negotiated settlements
  - Embrace consensus standards and negotiated rulemaking
ASSP Recommendations for New OSHA (cont’d)

• Address Coverage Gaps
  - Provide coverage for all public workers
  - Reduce physical and chemical exposures through occupational hazard banding

• Increase Collaboration
  - Increase collaboration with NIOSH for improved guidance
ASSP Recommendations for New OSHA (cont’d)

• Clarify Roles
  - Rescind the 2016 Electronic Recordkeeping Rule
  - Do more to recognize companies with exemplary OSH Practices
  - Cease activity beyond the scope of occupational health and safety
THANK YOU