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OSHA Enforcement: Wisconsin Plastic Manufacturer Cited for Alleged Violations Involving Hazardous Chemical Procedures

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The United States Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") issued a February 23rd news release stating it had cited Plastics Engineering Company ("PEC") for alleged violations involving hazardous chemical procedures.

PEC is stated to operate a plastics resin manufacturing facility in Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

OSHA states it opened an investigation at PEC's facility under the National Emphasis Program for process safety management. The agency's process safety standards are stated to include:

- A process hazardous analysis
- A careful review of what could go wrong and what safeguards must be implemented to prevent releases of hazardous chemicals and exposure by employees

PEC is stated to have been cited for:

- Not certifying process safety management procedures had been evaluated every three years
- Failing to consider impact of equipment and operation changes on safety and health
- Not ensuring process safety information was current and accurate
- Inadequate emergency action plan

A penalty of \$82,000.00 is proposed for the alleged violations.

Click here to download a copy of the news release with a reference to the citation.