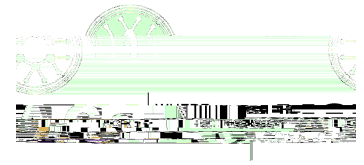


# **MANAGEMENT OF CHANGE: AN OVERVIEW**

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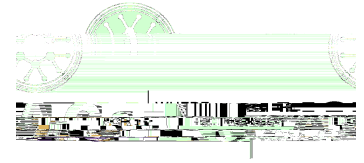
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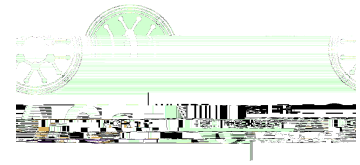
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- **An Engineer's Guide to Management of Change – R. Wayne Garland, CEP Magazine, March 2012**
- *...as well as over 30 years of experience in the chemical process industry!*

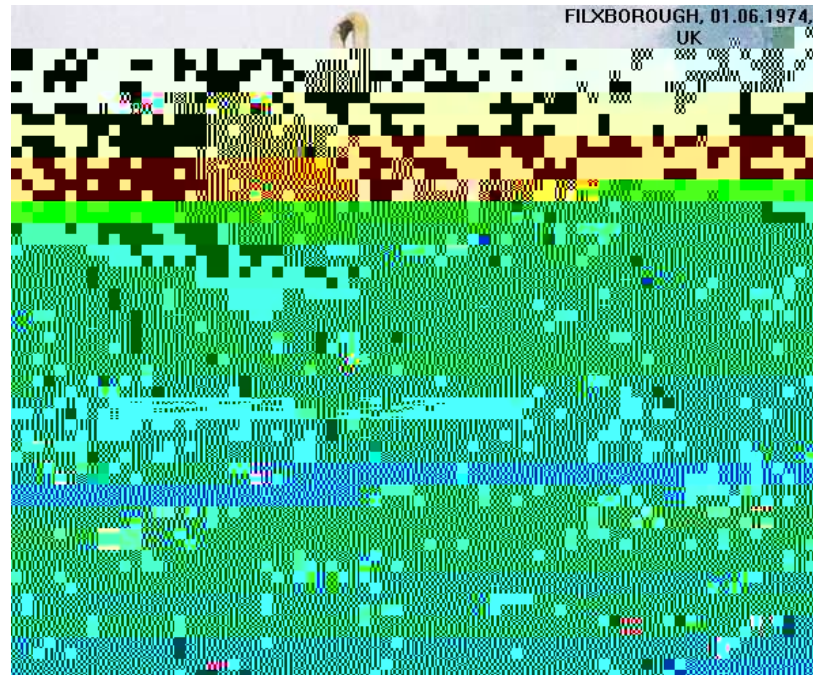


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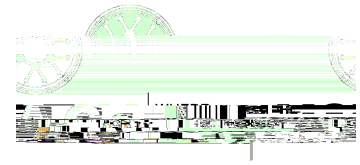
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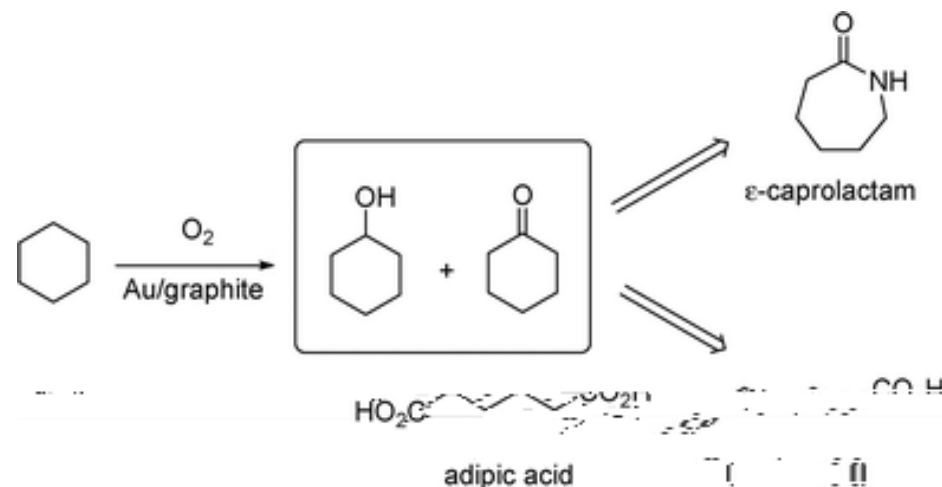
- On June 1, 1974, an explosion at a chemical plant near the village of Flixborough, England killed 28 people and seriously injured 26

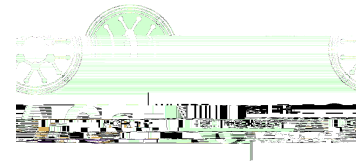


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- The chemical plant was owned by Nypro (UK) and had been in operation since 1967, producing Caprolactam, a chemical used in the production of Nylon
- The process involved in the accident was an oxidation of cyclohexane with air in a series of 6 reactors, producing a mixture of cyclohexanol and cyclohexanone:





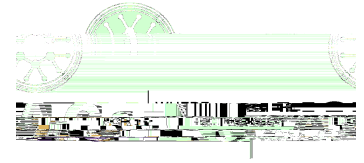
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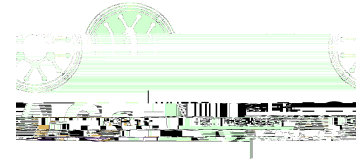


- At 4:53 pm on Saturday, June 1, 1974, the temporary bypass pipe containing cyclohexane at 150°C and 1 MPa (~ 145 psi) ruptured, possibly as a result of a fire on a nearby 8 inch pipe, which had been burning for nearly an hour
- Within about 1 minute, approximately 40 tons of cyclohexane leaked from the pipe and formed a vapor cloud an estimated 100-200 meters in diameter
- The vapor cloud exploded, completely destroying the plant\*
  - *\* Ignition source was probably a furnace at a nearby hydrogen plant*



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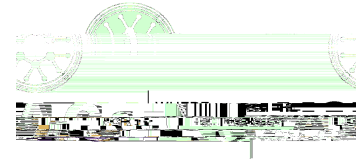
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- The force of the explosion was estimated to be the equivalent of about 15 tons of TNT
- All 18 control room employees were killed, 9 other site workers were killed, and 1 delivery driver died in his truck of a heart-attack
- If the explosion occurred on a weekday, the casualties could've been upwards of 500 people
- Resulting fires raged in the area for 10 days
- The blast was heard up to 25 miles away

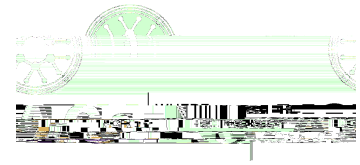
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- It was determined that the bypass pipe had failed due to unanticipated lateral stresses during a pressure surge
  - *The bypass pipe had not been designed by engineers experienced in high-pressure piping design*
  - *No plans or calculations were produced*
  - *The pipe was not pressure tested before use*
  - *The pipe was mounted on temporary scaffolding poles that allowed it to twist under pressure*

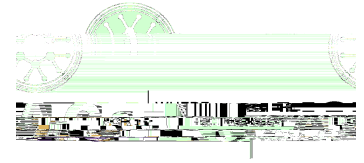
# NOT THE ONLY INCIDENT



Year	Location	Incident	Deaths	Injuries
1976	Seveso Italy	bursting disc rupture chemical release		
1984	Mexico City Mexico	ruptured LPG pipe leading to a series of explosions		
1984	Bhopal India	MIC release when water introduced to storage tank		
1985	Institute WV	methylene chloride aldicarb oxide release		
1988	Norca LA	pipe elbow failure leading to cracker explosion		
1988	Henderson NV	welding sparks ignited chemical leading to explosions		
1989	Richmond CA	H line weld failed leading to fire and reactor failure		
1989	Pasadena TX	reactor seal blew out resulting in fires explosions		
1990	Channelview TX	wastewater treatment tank explosion		
1990	Cincinnati OH	flammable cleaning solvent ignited causing fire explosion		
1991	Lake Charles LA	superheated oil and water resulted in steam explosion		
1991	Sterlington LA	explosion series of fires at nitroparaffin plant		
1991	Charleston SC	explosion due to ingredient contamination loss of cooling		

# MANAGEMENT OF CHANGE

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- **What is the (OSHA) definition of change?**
- **What are some common types of changes?**
- **Why do we need a management of change process?**
- **What is the basic MOC workflow process?**
- **What are the keys to a successful MOC Program?**

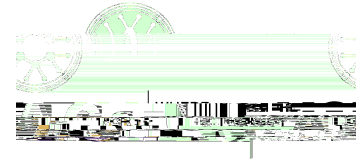
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# TYPES OF CHANGES

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## 1. Facility Changes:

- *These include any modifications made to the equipment*

## 2. Control System Changes:

- *These include changes to the programming or control logic, including who has access to the logic*

## 3. Information System Changes:

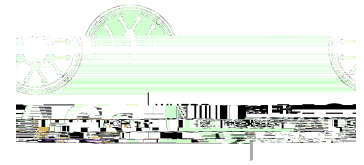
- *These include changes to raw material specifications resulting in the replacement of a chemical*

## 4. Procedural Changes:

- *These include any changes to previously established safety, quality or operating limits*

# WHY IS MOC PROCESS NEEDED?

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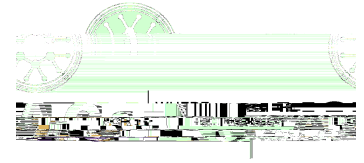


- The story of “Sam Shortcut”



# SAM SHORTCUT'S PROJECT

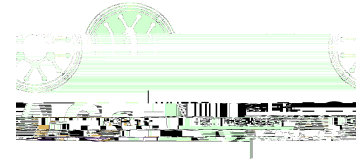
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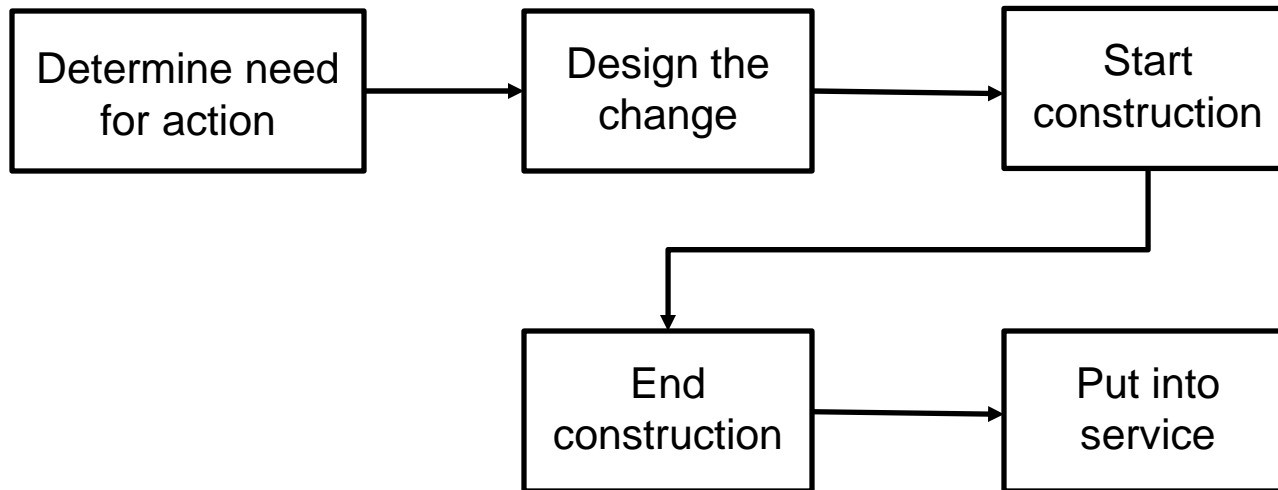
- **A facility change is needed:**
  - *Alter some piping and a control valve to re-route a conveyor system to an existing storage bin (Bin 99), that is currently not in service*
- Because of the simplicity of the project, (and because he's already over-worked), Sam decides to by-pass the MOC process and gets the alterations done by the area mechanics and electricians



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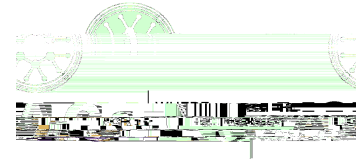


- Simple project workflow process:



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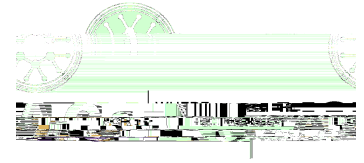
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- **Sam is proud of his efficiency until.....**
    - *The material transfer operator cannot get product to go into Bin 99*
    - *The area operations manager has a quality problem because material was transferred to the wrong bin*
    - *An operator returning from vacation uses the old targets for the process variables because he was unaware of the changed targets for the new product*
    - *The area operations manager is upset again because there has been an accidental discharge – the primary level sensor on the bin failed and there was no back-up*
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# SAM SHORTCUT'S PROJECT

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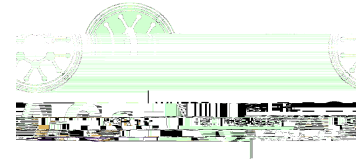


- **Sam is proud of his efficiency until.....**
  - *The shift team manager is concerned about the relief device on Bin 99 cycling frequently and possibly releasing inert gas into the production area*
  - *The pressure vessel inspector becomes aware of the change and believes the state codes for pressure vessels could apply – he asks Sam if the bin is rated for the new operating pressure and if the relief device is set correctly*



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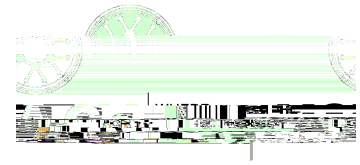
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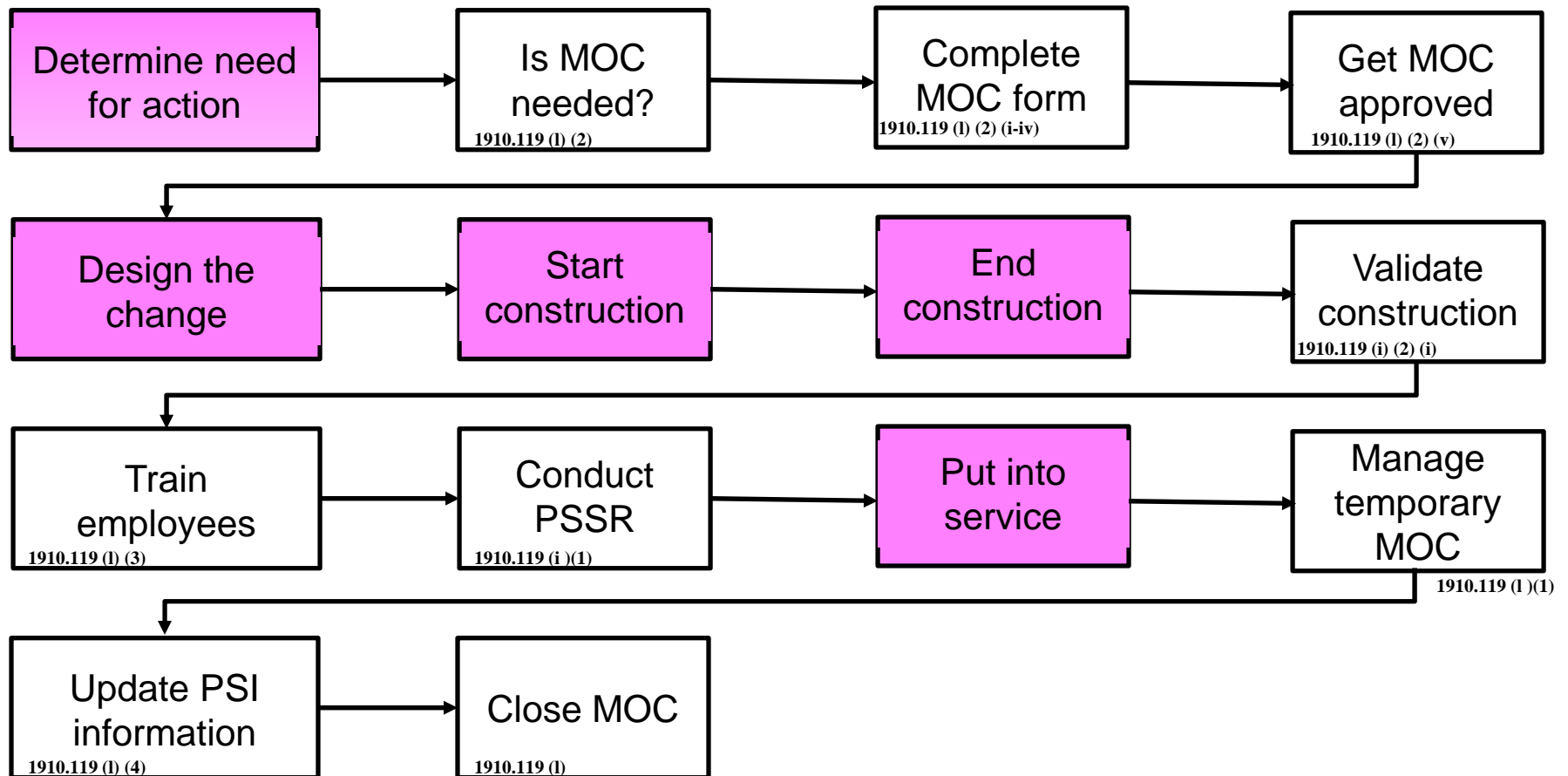
- Sam is proud of his efficiency until.....
  - He unfortunately acquires the new nickname: **“Bin 99 Engineer”**



# WHY IS MOC PROCESS NEEDED?

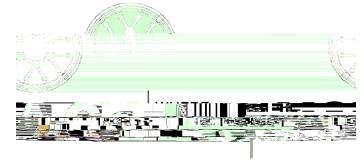


## ● Management of Change workflow process:



# HOW MOC FITS INTO THE OVERALL SAFETY PROGRAM

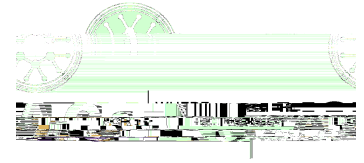
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- Safety programs of chemical facilities typically consist of process hazard analyses (PHA's), a mechanical integrity program, personnel training, operating procedures, PSSR's, PSI, incident prevention and MOC.
  - MOC plays a central role because:
    - *It provides updates to PSI's*
    - *It identifies when a PSSR is needed*
    - *It ensures that employees are trained to carry out the new procedures*
    - *It adds the new equipment to the mechanical integrity test and inspection schedules*
    - *Its documentation is reviewed once every 5 years (req'd by PSM Rule) during the revalidation of PSI's, ensuring process-to-PHA consistency*
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# KEYS FOR SUCCESSFUL MOC

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- **Personnel training**
  - **Change should be managed, not just documented**
  - **Clearly defined role responsibilities for MOC process**
  - **Communication**
  - **Regular audits of the process**
  - **Management expectations that MOC process will be followed all the time**
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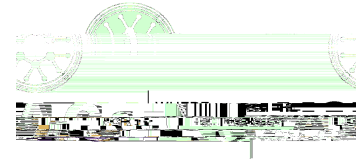


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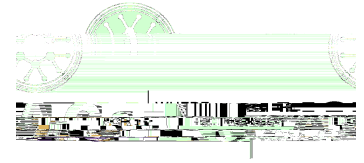


- **What is an example of the (OSHA) definition of change? ANSWER:**
  - A. Adding a new control valve
  - B.
  - C.
  - D.
  - E.

*MOC covers alterations to manufacturing processes that are not replacement-in-kind. Alterations to office areas, editorial changes, or certain emergency actions are not subject to MOC*

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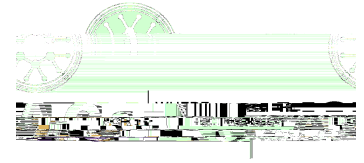
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- **What is NOT an example of the (OSHA) definition of change?**
  - A. Temporarily by-passing an interlock
  - B. Using a different schedule of pipe in a pipeline than what is called for in the current piping specification for that

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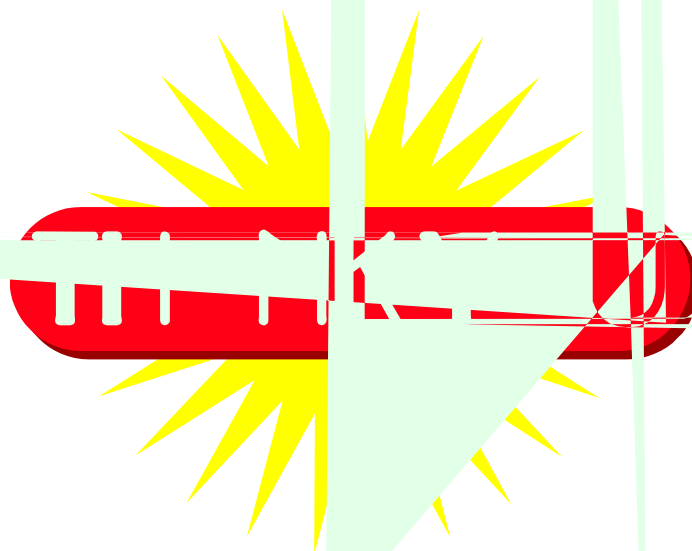
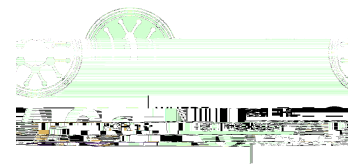
- **What is NOT an example of the (OSHA) definition of change? ANSWER:**
  - A.
  - B.
  - C.
  - D. Changing a temperature target or alarm limit within the range defined in a standard operating procedure or control strategy
  - E.

*If safe operating limits are defined in a standard operating procedure, process set-points can be changed within that range without the need for MOC. If the set-point is being changed to a value that is outside of the pre-approved safe operating limits, then MOC should be used.*

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