

# CONNSTEP: Helping Business Reduce Waste & Liability

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#### Who is CONNSTEP?

- A consulting organization that helps small and midsize Connecticut companies take advantage of expert business solutions to compete and grow profitably
- CONNSTEP operates as a fee-for-service 501(c)(3) non-profit
- One of 59 affiliate organizations connected to the national network of Manufacturing Extension
   Partnership (MEP) organizations

### Focus on Manufacturing



- October is manufacturing month!
- Showcasing products made in CT and the manufacturing community's contributions.

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## Lean & Green Manufacturing Training

#### **Program Objectives**

- Cross the streams of Lean thinking and Green principles
- "Learn to see"
- Solid & Haz waste, Electricity, Gas, Oil, Rare Gases, office & shop floor
- Quantify & incentivize & implement

In last 21 months all have had an ROI >100%

#### Chemical & Process Waste

- Three projects
  - 1. Chemical waste
    - \$150,000 savings per year
  - 2. Order entry
    - \$4,200 savings | eryear
    - Reduction of 2 000 hours per year
    - Eimil ated 233 printouts
  - 3. Laboratory samples size
    - \$7,500 savings per year



#### SQG to CESQG

- Three projects
  - 1. Solvent parts cleaning
    - Change in shape & size of cleaning bath
    - Eliminated 10 of 12 bath chunges (F001)
  - 2. Nitrogen use
    - \$50,000 saved per year with valve install
    - Reduction of 40% labor
  - 3. Thermo / Humidistat control
    - \$1,000 savings per year

#### **Energy Reduction**

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- Potential energy savings of \$50,000
  - Compressor leaks
  - Motors running
  - Weather stripping
- Potential green sevings \$100,000
  - Pallet recycling
  - Cardboard reuse



#### Other Services for Business

- Energy & Sustainability
  - Performance Benchmarking (GRI, CDP, ASHRAE, etc...)
  - Project Management
  - Green Product Development
  - Process improvements
  - Energy & water conservation and management
  - ISO 14001 & 50001 Environmental Management System (EMS)
  - OHSAS 18001 Occupational Health and Safety Management System

#### Other Services for Business

- Enterprise Growth Services
  - Business Assessment
  - Strategy Development
- Quality
  - ISO 9001 Quality Standards
  - Aerospace, Automotive, Medical Device, Environmental Standards
- Continuous Improvement
  - Lean Manufacturing
  - Lean Office
  - Product Development

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