

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

*Between the American Conference for Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH®)
and the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)*

Whereas, ACGIH® and AIHA are two major occupational hygiene professional societies striving to serve the profession in a more complimentary fashion while maintaining their independence,

Whereas, ACGIH® and AIHA are both dedicated to protecting and improving worker health and safety,

Whereas, ACGIH® and AIHA agree that the profession of industrial hygiene and environmental health and safety can be strengthened by a strong working relationship between the two organizations,

Whereas, ACGIH® and AIHA agree to seek out areas in which to collaborate,

Whereas, ACGIH® and AIHA agree to select projects to develop and implement together that will compliment both organizations and the profession,

Whereas, ACGIH® and AIHA recognize the equal, but different, core missions of the two organizations,

Whereas, ACGIH® and AIHA believe the establishment of a permanent standing committee comprised of representatives of both organizations is meant to improve communication and cooperation and is **not** intended to be a proposal to merge the two organizations.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that:

1. ACGIH® and AIHA will form the Interaction Committee (IC) to accomplish mutually agreed upon goals.
2. ACGIH® and AIHA IC will develop guidelines that will steer the direction and intent of further collaboration. The guidelines will ultimately be approved by each organization's Board of Directors.
3. ACGIH® and AIHA representatives to the IC will do their utmost to fairly represent the interests of their respective organizations and the profession.
4. ACGIH® and AIHA IC representatives will work together to develop common products, education programs, and other services for the benefit of both organization's membership and the profession at-large.
5. ACGIH® and AIHA IC representatives will be responsible for clearly defining and documenting the known or reasonably anticipated costs and professional impacts for any actions considered.
6. ACGIH® and AIHA IC representatives will put into writing any recommendations for the respective Boards of Directors to consider.

ACGIH®

AIHA

Cindy Coe-Laseter, Chair

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February 22, 2005

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