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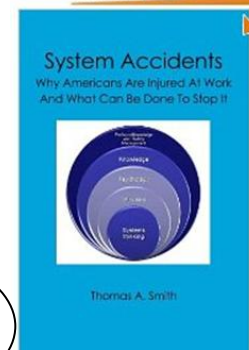
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Mr. Smith is clearly a student of management - good management - and his book advocates using those same management principals in pursuit of safety excellence. The book borrows heavily from the work of management guru Edwards Deming and shows how well Dr. Deming's work applies to safety. This is not a traditional safety management text and I think that is its main strength. Mr. Smith demonstrates how traditional management and safety practices are, in fact, a detriment to optimal results. Instead he shows the value of a systems approach to safety that engages workers in providing their own safety solutions. This is in marked contrast to the current wave of behavior-based safety "solutions" that use various means to manipulate employees rather involving them in the safety process. This is a timely book that views workers as respected and indispensable safety resources. It clearly describes an overdue and under reported approach to safety which is far superior to more common "fix the worker" hype.

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I just read System Accidents by Thomas A. Smith, and I was delighted! Finally, somebody got it right. It's the system within which the workers operate that accounts for 85% of all accidents. Beyond the obvious -- no open furnaces without railings or rules against drugs on the job -- managers need to follow his total-systems approach if they want to permanently eliminate accidents at the least cost. If they follow Thomas' advice, they will increase productivity and morale while they're at it. I advise all managers to read this book. And do it soon, before you lose another dollar doing things inefficiently.

Dr. Gary Fellers
Management Consultant

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Tom Smith offers a fresh solution to a stale problem...something to secure the future of American business. Should be required reading for all managers and a textbook for graduate-level learning at every University. Buy this book, read this book, know this book, and then start doing something different with your profound knowledge about safety management.

"Tom Smith has been working on a new paradigm of safety management. It looks like he's found it."

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