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Articles in the SESH A eJournal are taking on an increasingly global flavor, reflecting the breadth, expansion and reach of high technology industries . The topics are relevant to our members, regardless of their specific geographic location, including sustainability, safety / emergency response performance evaluation and energy efficiency.

Tom Redick writes about the concept of “Sustainability” in a very comprehensive manner and from the perspective of using a “standards” approach to measuring the sustainability of your organization. The article describes some of the various standards currently in use, and the semiconductor industry’s challenge to create a definition of “sustainability,” that is most appropriate for itself and its shareholders. If you are new to the concept of sustainability, or simply looking to brush up, look no further, this article should answer your questions.

What organization isn’t looking to continuously improve on its safety and emergency response performance? Our colleagues in Taiwan have submitted a very objective,

thorough article on their own self-evaluation of their safety and emergency response performance. This is an article that is generous in spirit with its sharing of lessons learned for the entire SESHHA membership.

Brian Jenkins and his co-authors remind us that increasing energy efficiency can be as simple as taking a closer look at routine work processes and maintenance procedures. They address the potential for improving a fab's energy efficiency by investigating various types of cleaning/maintenance methods for air coils. This reminds us that we can all improve our energy efficiency by starting to look at the routine tasks that are performed on a routine basis.

Thank you for continuing to look to SESHHA for your education and development needs and maximizing the value provided by your SESHHA membership. As always, we appreciate your continuing support.

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