



The ASHTA team exceeded 724,000 safe work hours without a Lost Time Accident this past April. This reflects the company's commitment to its core value of workplace safety and Responsible Care® not only of employees but contractors and visitors as well. Safety Coordinator Chris Lehtonen stated that "this was not just his efforts but indeed everyone including those of the management team, and the safety committee. Each has played a large role in both establishing and maintaining the robust safety culture here at ASHTA." EHS&Q Manager Bob Baker pointed out that "the employees' ability to communicate amongst each other regarding safety is exceptional. With the implantation of the new Stop Program, this gives employees the tools, and techniques to take the time, identify potential hazards, and then proceed safely."

ASHTA maintains the highest quality rating. ABS Inc, a respected third party auditor, completed their semi-annual surveillance of ASHTA's quality management system confirming that ASHTA's product realization processes and customer order fulfillment systems continue to meet the standards of ISO 9001:2008. The full day review resulted in no findings as is typical for this site. ASHTA is a leading manufacturer and marketer of chlor-alkali commodity chemicals. The company maintains ISO certification to the 9001:2008 standard in support of providing consistent quality products and services to our nationwide clientele of valued customers.

Members of the ASHTA team give back to the community, pledging in excess of \$15,500 to the annual United Way Campaign in support of local charities and programs. It is the policy of the Board of Ashta Chemicals Inc, to match United Way contributions dollar for dollar, so a total in excess of \$31,000 will be headed to the United Way of Ashtabula County and its partner agencies.