



## **Christopher J. Wesley, CIH** **Vice President, EHS Services**

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### **Overview**

- A Colden Corporation founder, with over 30 years' experience as an industrial hygienist.
- Experience delivering industrial hygiene surveys and qualitative exposure assessments, indoor environmental quality investigations, EHS program support, job safety analyses, chemical management, and hazardous building materials consulting.
- Provides services for chemical manufacturing, TV/motion picture/event production, energy, heavy transportation, aviation, specialty metals, laboratory, pharmaceutical, and construction industries.
- Extensive experience with silica, metals including beryllium, welding, noise, mold, and asbestos.

### **Professional Certifications/Associations**

- American Board of Industrial Hygiene, Certification in the Comprehensive Practice of Industrial Hygiene (CIH).
- American Industrial Hygiene Association, National and Philadelphia local chapter.
- Past President for American Industrial Hygiene Association, Philadelphia Local Chapter.
- American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists.

### **Professional Highlights**

#### **COLDEN CORPORATION**

Working out of Colden's Philadelphia area office, Mr. Wesley provides client and multidisciplinary project management.

**OSHA-VPP Support** - Managed on-site industrial hygiene and chemical management services for a locomotive and heavy transportation equipment manufacturer (3,000+ workers) having OSHA Voluntary Protection Program Star Status. Evaluated exposures to stressors during welding, machining, painting, and assembly. Provided services at multiple locations for 10+ years. Supported exposure monitoring, hearing conservation, confined-space entry, risk assessment, and respiratory protection programs.

**Industrial Hygiene Program Management** - Manages multiyear industrial hygiene service contract for chemical manufacturing company with 16 locations. Includes budget management, staff mentoring, project planning, implementing exposure assessment and monitoring strategy, and providing corporate guidance. Products include silicates, zeolites, catalysts, and specialty glass manufactured from raw materials including crystalline silica.

**Nationwide Welding Exposure Study** - Designed and managed quantitative IH study for exposure to hexavalent chromium during welding. Surveyed 30+ nationwide shops dedicated to manufacturing and repair of power generation and industrial equipment. Evaluated MIG welding, SMAW, TIG welding, metal spraying, air-arc cutting, torch cutting, brazing, grinding and submerged arc welding. Compiled and analyzed 200+ personal exposure monitoring records. Presented results to management, medical providers, and employees.

**Beryllium Exposure Assessment and Reduction** - Conducted baseline IH surveys for beryllium specialty metals manufacturer, and downstream customers. Performed air and surface sampling; particle size characterization; statistical analysis to define similar exposure groups and assess risks; process emissions studies; ventilation system performance assessment; and EHS program development. Participated in exposure reduction team involving employees, management, medical providers, and NIOSH. Supports ongoing product stewardship program.

**Production Safety and Health** - Conducted hundreds of environmental and occupational health and safety reviews of studio and news broadcast tasks for major television network. Produced job hazard analyses, recommendations, and personal protective equipment assessments for over 1,000 engineers, technicians, camera operators, and production managers. Functioned as location safety consultant for sports stadium events, auto racetracks, TV and news studios, movie production, and remote news set-ups addressing issues such as fall protection, special effects, RF safety, chemical use, laser safety, electrical exposures, traffic safety, and set construction.

**Special Effects Exposure Assessment** - Characterized exposures to chemicals used or potentially emitted during special effects in entertainment production studios. Addressed pyrotechnics, flame effects, fog machines, fire extinguisher use, and special effect dust.

**Fire Recovery** - Provided rapid indoor environmental quality evaluation and remediation support following multiple fires involving New York City commercial buildings.

**Laboratory EHS Support** - Provided comprehensive EHS services to Bell Laboratories, a major science and technology research center consisting of approximately 300 laboratories in Murray Hill, New Jersey. Serviced chemistry, physics, biology research laboratories. Assisted the site with OSHA VPP approval process, facilitated process safety, and environmental management reviews. Performed routine environmental health and safety audits for laboratories. Prepared written guidelines, hazard-specific programs, and training materials.

**Loss Control Services** - Performed hundreds of workers' compensation and general liability risk assessment and loss-control surveys for the insurance industry. Evaluated construction, vehicle maintenance, hazardous materials remediation, and manufacturing sites (plastics, activated carbon, crane attachments, building materials, chemicals, and refractories). Addressed employee exposures to chemicals and noise, fire safety, electrical safety, fall protection, chemical handling, and work practices. Evaluated risks associated with providing general liability insurance for many hazardous materials abatement companies.

**Indoor Air Quality** - Performed hundreds of indoor air quality, mold, and odor investigations for commercial buildings. Worked on behalf of owners, tenants, attorneys, and insurers. Evaluated, designed, and monitored remediation progress addressing mold growth and the deterioration of insulation inside ventilation systems for several large commercial buildings.

**Litigation Support** - Litigation support work has included expert witness testimony and assisting council with chemical and noise exposure assessments, modeling retrospective exposures, and document review.

**GALSON CORPORATION**

Provided client management and multidisciplinary consulting on hundreds of IH and EHS projects. Specialized in industrial hygiene, indoor environmental quality, and hazardous materials remediation.

**Industrial Hygiene Surveys** - Performed hundreds of industrial hygiene surveys over several years for a heavy transportation manufacturing business. Evaluated welding, painting, assembly, electronics, and machining operations. Conducted annual noise surveys supporting a hearing conservation program covering more than 1,000 employees.

**Education**

- Rochester Institute of Technology  
Bachelor of Science, Biotechnology (1988)

**Lectures, Presentations, and Publications**

- Poster Session: "Air Sampling to Characterize Airborne Theatrical Fog," 2018 American Industrial Hygiene Associate Conference and Exposition (2018).
- Presentation: "Vermiculite Containing Asbestos Materials," Eastern Upstate New York Local Section of AIHA (2015).
- Presentation: "Vermiculite Containing Materials and Asbestos," The Business Council of New York annual meeting/conference (2013).
- Presentation: "Asbestos Regulatory Review," Mid Atlantic Construction Safety Council (August 2012).
- Presentation: "Local Exhaust Ventilation and other Exposure Variables during Welding," Fifteenth CPWR/NIOSH Engineering and Work Practice Controls Work Group (March 2009).
- Presentation: "The Hazards Associated with Metals Dust," New Jersey State Industrial Safety Committee Winter Training Session (January 2004).
- Presentation: "EHS Issues During the Painting of the Ben Franklin Bridge," Philadelphia AIHA Local Chapter (September 2003). Also provided for the Central New Jersey local chapter ASSE.
- Publication: "Heat Stress Basics," Industrial Hygiene & Safety News electronic newsletter (September 2003).
- Publication: "Seven Steps to Planning and Industrial Hygiene Survey for Welding," Industrial Hygiene & Safety News (February 2002).
- Provided instruction on the principles of industrial hygiene, noise and indoor air quality at New York Medical College. The course was provided as part of NYMC's master's program in public health (1996).
- Provided instruction on toxicology associated with chemicals in the healthcare setting at New York Medical College. The course was provided as part of NYMC's Certified Healthcare Environmental Manager seminar (1996).

- Presentation: “Indoor Air Quality, Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint Risks Posed by Poor Indoor Air Quality in Office Buildings” at the Strategic Research Institute conference “Office Leasing from the Tenant’s Perspective for the Association of the Bar of the City of New York” (September 1996).
- Presentation: “1994 OSHA Asbestos Standards,” Federal Safety & Health Council of Central New York (1994).

**Additional Experience****FIRE SERVICE**

- Past Chief Engineer, Rose Tree Fire Company, Upper Providence, Pennsylvania. Responsible for the overall readiness of the apparatus and equipment.
- Firefighter, certified by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board) and Pennsylvania State Fire Academy in accordance with NFPA standards.
- Vehicle Rescue Technician, certified by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.
- Completed training in the National Incident Management System (NIMS) modules IS-100 and IS-700, flashover survival, HAZWOPER first responder awareness, CPR, First Aid, AED, bloodborne pathogens.