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As I think about our Association, I’d like to say it’s an honor to have the opportunity to serve for the next two years as your President. I’m grateful to those past Presidents and Board members who have worked and devoted time and energy to lend to the vision that makes CSIA the strong, successful organization it is today.

I owe a great amount of thanks to Immediate Past President Brian Willett, who over the years has been an outstanding leader and colleague. In my years of involvement with CSIA I have been blessed to have met and worked with some wonderful, passionate people who strive to move our Industry forward.

As I assume this role, I keep in mind the trust and belief I have in the Association board. They are a group with exceptional aptitude and sense of service. I look forward to working with each of them to accomplish our goals and contribute to the overall mission of the CSIA. I would also like to welcome our new Board members: Jared Lux and Barry Hyduk.

In addition, the Association looks to reach out to prospective members and engage those who bring in a wealth of knowledge through practical applications and experience in the Insulation industry. We encourage members, new as well as seasoned to share their views, experience or expertise by submitting articles for the newsletter. To assist and support active members, the Association will continue to make available scholarship money to those well-deserving recipients.

Lastly, I hope everyone enjoyed the fall conference at the beautiful Ritz Carlton in Naples. I felt that our speakers did a great job and were very informative. And as always it was good to spend some quality time and fellowship with our friends from ESICA. I also enjoyed the our farewell dinner and dance on Friday night, the DJ was great! Unfortunately I missed the midnight swim event, LOL. Don’t forget to mark your calendars for our 2016 spring conference scheduled for April 26-27 at the Marriott Griffin gate in Lexington, Kentucky.

Once again, I am grateful for the support and honored to have the opportunity to serve as President of this dutiful organization. In my efforts I will hold true to the mission of the Association, and I look forward to hearing from the membership and seeing you all at future programs.

Sincerely

John C. Stevens

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Background
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Key Takeaways of IB 2015-1:
“All Things Being Equal” Test: Fiduciaries may invest in ETIs based, in part, on their collateral benefit so long as the investment is plan-appropriate and is economically and financially equivalent with respect to the plan’s investment objectives, return, risk and other financial attributes as other competing investment choices. Under this “all things being equal” test, ESG benefits may be considered as a tie-breaker when deciding between competing potential investments. This is not new.

ESG Factors Related to Economic Merit: In some cases, ESG factors may have a direct relationship to the economic and financial value of the plan’s investment. In those situations, ESG factors should be considered in the primary analysis of the economic merits of competing investment choices, not as collateral considerations or tie-breakers.

Investment Decisions: ERISA does not prohibit a fiduciary from addressing ETIs or incorporating EGS factors in investment policy statements or integrating ESG-related tools, metrics and analyses to evaluate an investment’s risk or return or choose amongst equivalent investments. Fiduciaries can also consider how potential investment managers use and consider EGS factors or ETIs in their investment practices.

Written Documentation: No special documentation is required for ETIs or investments that consider EGS factors. Fiduciaries should maintain records sufficient to demonstrate compliance with ERISA’s fiduciary provisions.

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Their help has helped to build Tim a new home.

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Tim Senkowski: This 30 year old soldier was seriously injured by an improvised explosive device in October 2011. Senkowski had been deployed as an Army infantryman since April in Afghanistan’s Kandahar province serving with the 3rd Squadron, 71st Calvary Regiment, 3rd Brigade, 10th Mountain Division.

On October 13, another soldier—good friend Jeremiah Sancho, 23, of Palm Bay, FL—was a few feet ahead of Senkowski and stepped on an IED. His friend was killed. Senkowski lost both legs above the knee down, much of the muscle in his right arm and his entire left buttock. His entire back and side are scarred from flying debris. In the meantime, his entire family is trying to split their time between home and hospital so they can help care for his disabled wife and two sons, one of which is autistic.


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The foundation recently presented its annual $60,000 donation to representatives of PPPH and St. John Providence to help allow Dr. Michael Harbut and other staff to continue their important work.

Dr. Harbut is an internationally recognized expert in the diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the environment and workplace and is an asbestos researcher and medical advisor for the Breath of Life Foundation. The Breath of Life Foundation was established through a cooperative effort of the insulation workers union and the insulating industry and is primarily focused on seeking a cure for mesothelioma and asbestos-related diseases.

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HARTVILLE -- Ed Beverage, known to family and friends as "Eddie" or "Dr. Drink", passed away suddenly while on business in Bangkok, Thailand on October 18, 2015.

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Eddie loved to travel with his beloved wife, Aggie. Their favorite places included Puerto Rico in the winter and Palm Desert, California in the fall. When not traveling, he enjoyed just staying home and working together on their 3-1/2 acre property, or his many cars and tractors. He also enjoyed dining out at their favorite restaurants like "The Bistro", "Flemings" and "Louie's". Ed was a family man through and through, he loved to have his children and grandchildren around. On special occasions he would get his Corvette or Model A out and they would stand in line for a ride with "Papaw". Friends were always welcome for cocktails at the "Beverages", he loved it when they stopped by.
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