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**TO:** All MSA and Partner Employees  
**FROM:** Mike Wilson, Vice President, Environmental, Safety & Health

**SUBJECT: What Kind of Driver Are You?**

**PLEASE DISTRIBUTE THIS MESSAGE TO ANY EMPLOYEE WHO DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPUTER.**

We often complain about the actions of other drivers and how they affect us on our daily commute to work or even when driving on our personal time. However, do you ever question your own behaviors to see if your actions may be contributing to unsafe behaviors?

Motor vehicle collisions are the leading cause of death and injury in the workplace. Defensive driving and awareness can reduce risk and keep people safer on the road. Please take a few minutes to complete the attached questionnaire or review at your next back-to-work or EZAC meeting. It is certain to spur a discussion about driving behaviors.

The goal of this effort is to improve safe driving and awareness. In conjunction with self-evaluation of our driving skills, MSA wants to take this opportunity to recognize your efforts to make improvements to your driving. **A safety campaign item may be selected with a completed questionnaire and a signature from your EZAC chair or manager.**

Note: Safety campaign items will be available beginning May 1.



## WHAT KIND OF DRIVER ARE YOU?

Vehicle incidents continue to be a concern across the site. Since this is not a company-specific problem, the Hanford Site Traffic Safety Committee is continuing the ongoing effort to raise awareness of safe vehicle behaviors. Please take the following questionnaire to determine what kind of driver you are.

You may find that you have behaviors that you didn't even realize were contributing to unsafe driving on our roads.

QUESTIONS	ALWAYS TRUE	SOMETIMES TRUE	NEVER TRUE
1. While I am driving, I try to make eye contact with passengers so they know I am listening to them.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. I can adjust the radio and climate controls as needed, while in my car.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. While driving, I am able to look away from the road to tend to my children.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. I get irritated when other drivers are driving too slowly.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. I can read directions and look at a map while driving.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. I comb my hair, shave, apply makeup or brush/floss my teeth while driving, if the need arises.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Traffic, weather and road conditions don't impact my driving plans.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. I can still drive safely after having only a few drinks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. I can make turns and change lanes without signaling, if necessary.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. I put off regularly scheduled vehicle maintenance until a time when it is convenient for me.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. I use a hands-free device because it makes talking on the phone while driving safe.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. I eat and drink while I drive.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. I know that over-the-counter drugs are safe to use while driving.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. I cautiously ignore traffic signals and signs if I am in a hurry.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. If another driver does something that makes me angry, I try to get back at that driver.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. I get as close as I can to the vehicle in front of me to make the driver move out of my way.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Being tired or drowsy does not keep me from driving.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. I am a good driver, so I can leave my safety belt off.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. I let my passengers decide whether or not to wear a safety belt in my car.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. I am very good at multitasking, so I can safely text message or send emails while I drive.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. I enjoy looking at the sights and scenery around me while driving.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. I only exceed the speed limit to keep pace with traffic around me.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23. My aggressive driving is caused by other people's behavior.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## YOUR DRIVING PROFILE

Find out what your driving profile is by adding up the number of times you marked “never true.”

- 20-23** “NEVER TRUE” answers: **DEFENSIVE DRIVER**  
You have all of the characteristics of both the “average driver” and the “safe driver.” In addition to being in control, communicative, cooperative, cautious, conscientious, considerate, committed and a role model.
- 16-19** “NEVER TRUE” answers: **SAFE DRIVER**  
You have all of the characteristics of an “average driver,” in addition to being informed, skilled and trained in defensive driving. Your driving choices are made to save lives, time and money.
- 13-15** “NEVER TRUE” answers: **AVERAGE DRIVER**  
You are a licensed, insured, registered driver whose driving choices are controlled by consequences. You respect the law, follow rules and avoid confrontations.
- <13** “NEVER TRUE” answers: **AGGRESSIVE DRIVER**  
You have a high potential for citations and crashes. Your driving is placing yourself, your passengers and others at risk. You should consider enrolling in a defensive driving course.

*According to the National Safety Council, before choosing to take a risk, drivers should ask themselves two questions:*

- 1) Is getting what I want or where I’m going so important that I am willing to risk my life or the lives of other people?
- 2) Am I willing to be involved in a collision or get a ticket while trying to arrive at work on time, pass another vehicle or have some fun?

