



Thursday, December 3, 2009, ASQ St. Joseph/ Benton Harbor Section Presents:

International Material Data System (IMDS)

Speaker: Don Florea

Quality Manager at Quality Plastics & Engineering in Elkhart, IN.

Description:

IMDS was developed and is operated by EDS Operations Services GmbH on behalf of various international car manufacturers with the purpose to enable the gathering of environmentally relevant information on parts and materials along the automotive supply chain by using the internet as the most cost efficient enabler for this process. Automotive suppliers use IMDS to fulfill the PPAP requirements for automotive companies. The approach of this presentation will be a brief introduction to the system and then actual live projected interaction in the system to see how it works and what it contains. For those companies involved in the RoHS (Restriction of Hazardous Substances) or REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and restriction of Chemicals), you might find the IMDS system approach interesting. The IMDS System went on-line June 2000. It currently has 150,000 users and 70,000 registered companies. Public pages are available at the system site at www.mdsystem.com. Company registration is free and the public pages for education and understanding are very good.

Speaker Bio:

Don Florea CQA, CQE is quality manager at Quality Plastics & Engineering in Elkhart, IN. He has been Michiana section chair, vice chair and treasurer. He is currently responsible for the section newsletter. Don is an ASQ Senior member with automotive experience in the IMDS (International Material Data System). Don lives in Elkhart, Indiana and has a wife and two grown children. His hobby is wind energy production and currently has built a 9.2 KW grid-tied wind generator at 60' tower height.

Location: Five O'clock Sports Bar and Restaurant in Stevensville, MI.

Time: **Get Acquainted:** 6:00 pm

Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

Program: 7:30 pm

Meal: Prime Rib, Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley, Salad & Rolls and Sheet Cake
(Vegetarian meals available upon request.)

Cost: \$15.00

Contact Penny Swank for reservations at swankpenny@yahoo.com or call 269-325-0108.

Deadline for reservations is Noon - Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2009.