"I Chose To Look the Other Way"

I could have saved a life that day,
but I chose to look the other way.
   It wasn't that I didn't care,
I had the time, and I was there.

But I didn't want to seem a fool,
or argue over a safety rule.
I knew he'd done the job before,
if I called it wrong, he might get sore.

The chances didn't seem that bad,
I've done the same, he knew I had.
So I shook my head and walked on by,
he knew the risks as well as I.

He took the chance, I closed an eye,
and with that act, I let him die.
I could have saved a life that day,
but I chose to look the other way.

Now every time I see his wife, I'll know,
I should have saved his life.
That guilt is something I must bear,
but it isn't something you need share.

If you see a risk that others take,
that puts their health or life at stake.
The question asked, or thing you say,
could help them live another day.

If you see a risk and walk away,
then hope you never have to say,
I could have saved a life that day,
but I chose to look the other way!

Which way do YOU choose to look???

Roger Evans, CSP, Safety & PSM Manager of GE Plastics

Calendar of Events

August 6, 2002
Jackson Dinner Meeting

August 7, 2002
Past President's Meeting, 11:30 p.m.
University Club, Jackson

August 8, 2002
Tupelo Dinner Meeting

August 13, 2002
Coast Lunch Meeting

August 15, 2002
Hattiesburg Dinner Meeting

August 22, 25, 2002
Past President's Meeting, Pebble Beach, CA

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Please, Return All Plans to the Architect!
Reminder: Plans acquired through the Mississippi ABC/AIA Plan Release Agreement must be returned to the issuing office within 10 days of bid opening. If plans are not returned to the architect/engineer per the terms of the agreement, the MABC member will be billed for the deposit. Proof of return is the contractor's responsibility. For additional information on this agreement, contact Leana at the MABC Jackson office (601-944-0421/800-806-7222).

2002 Merit Award Competition
The deadline to enter projects in the 2002 Merit Award Competition will be September 6, 2002.
Entry forms will be in the mail mid-July.