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Mr. Nibarger worked as a chief operator for Shell Oil Products, US, at the Puget Sound Refinery in Anacortes, Washington prior to taking a leave of absence in 2004 to work for the former PACE Health and Safety Department as a Triangle of Prevention (TOP) program coordinator. Mr. Nibarger has 17 years in refinery operations and served as a member and co-chair of the Joint Health and Safety Committee for 8 years. While at the Shell refinery, he was the Union's lead investigator on the team investigating a November 1998 accident that resulted in the loss of life for six workers. As a TOP program co-ordinator, his duties included root cause analysis of more than 50 serious chemical accidents nation wide. He has trained more than 250 USW (PACE) accident investigators.