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As Founder & President of The Environmental Quality Organization (EQO) LLC, Chris Laszcz-Davis has over thirty-five (35) years of executive management, professional, operational, technical and consulting experience in occupational safety & health, environmental affairs, operational integrity, risk management, product stewardship/product quality, strategic planning, auditing, and corporate acquisitions/divestitures in industry and government.

A former Corporate Vice-President, Environmental Affairs, Health, Safety (EHS), Product Stewardship & Operational Integrity for Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation, Chris helped lead the corporation's initiatives to reshape and expand its global environmental, health & safety (EHS) horizons to address the full life cycle of its organization's aluminum, refractory and chemical operations, and integrate its EHS workings into the fabric of the operational line organization. Prior to industry, Chris worked for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) in both Washington DC and on the west coast as regional EHS Manager, as well as the University of California Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories.

Chris is a Fellow of both the national American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) and American Institute of Chemists (AIC), a recipient of the national AIHA Kusnetz Award, the national AIHA Alice Hamilton Award, the AIHA-Yuma Pacific Southwest Section Clayton Award and the AIHA-Northern California Section Dr. Christine Einert Award. As Past President, American Academy of Industrial Hygiene (AIH), Chris was instrumental in having the profession sponsor its first major Fall Conference on Risk Assessment in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada back in the early 1990's. Industrial Safety & Hygiene News (IHSN), with a readership of over 100,000 nationally, recognized Chris as one of the 101 most influential EHS leaders in the country in 2011-2012. In December 2017, California passed a Senate Resolution publicly recognizing Chris's remarkable career, professional achievements and civic leadership.

Service to the global professional community has earmarked Chris's career. Over the years, she has served as a Director, American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH), American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA), and the American Board of Industrial Hygiene (ABIH); Trustee, American Industrial Hygiene Foundation (AIHF); Appointee to both the International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA) and American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS); U.S. Department of Commerce appointed member, Board of Examiners, Malcolm National Quality Award; President of both AIHA's Northern California and Yuma Pacific Southwest Local Sections; and one of fifteen members of CDC NIOSH's Board of Scientific Counsellors.

She is presently Co-Chair of the global United Kingdom-based Occupational Hygiene Training Association (OHTA), management representative to Ca/OSHA's influential Standards Board, originally appointed by Governor Jerry Brown and reappointed by Governor Newsom; appointee to ASSP's Council on Professional Affairs (COPA) and Chair of its Total Worker Health Task Force, and Past-President and ongoing Advisor to the California Industrial Hygiene Council (CIHC), a state wide EHS legislative advocacy group focused on bringing sound science into the region's very active legislative/regulatory process.

And even more recently, in April 2019, Chris was asked (as one of 33 named individuals globally) to contribute an original and exclusive "think piece" for the Geneva, Switzerland based United Nations International Labour Organization's (ILO's) commemorative "World Day for Safety & Health at Work 2019" to celebrate its 100 year anniversary. Her "think piece" focused on "The OSH Challenge: Understanding Our Emerging World and its

Workforce Development Needs". She was re-invited by ILO in 2020 to contribute a "think piece" titled "The New World Battleground with Covid-19: Challenges, Partnerships, Impact and Business".

She continues to assume collaborative leadership team building and mentoring roles in bringing cutting edge subjects (such as climate change, sustainability, enterprise risk management, product stewardship, risk assessment, exposure limits and renewable energy alternatives) into the EHS dialogue. Chris lectures and speaks frequently on emerging issues and leadership, has chaired numerous EHS conferences, authored numerous articles and chapters, and been instrumental in orchestrating national tele-webs on various subjects. Chris recently authored an ASSP chapter titled "Enterprise Risk Management: An Integrated Approach" for John Wiley & Sons 2019 3rd edition of the Handbook of Occupational Safety and Health. In addition, she spearheaded 2019 updates to PATTY's Industrial Hygiene & Toxicology chapters on both "Human Health Risk Assessment" and "Emergency Preparedness, Response & Recovery".

Chris received her Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Chemistry and Biology from Notre Dame and her Master of Science (MS) degree in Environmental Health Engineering Sciences from the University of Minnesota.

From a community volunteer standpoint, Chris is a Board member of the Orinda Association (OA) and Past-President of the Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary Club, one of 35,000 Rotary Clubs worldwide comprised of 1.2 million neighbors, leaders and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change—across the globe and in its communities. Rotary International's most persistent issues include—fighting disease, promoting clean water, sanitation and hygiene, promoting peace, saving mothers and children, supporting education and growing local economies. For the past six years, Chris has facilitated the Lamorinda Presents group whose primary purpose as a forum is to leverage tri-community resources, learnings and initiatives. In addition, her enthusiastic mentoring extends to involvement with the American Association of University Women (AAUW) in sponsoring Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics (STEAM) conferences for middle school and high school age girls.

On a personal note, Chris and her family are huge advocates of two basic philosophies they live by-- "Wherever you go, do so with all your heart."and "Believe in the power of one—for one person can truly make a difference".