

The Value of the Engineering Conference



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So You Want To Change The World?

The power to change the world exists at the annual CEMA Engineering Conference, which has been meeting since CEMA's founding in 1933. At the beginning of each Engineering Conference, we are asked "To develop, and keep relevant, the technical documents that support the needs of the Conveying Industry". This is an honored responsibility that we, as members, each own.

When the organization formed in 1933, the first action was to develop **CEMA Standard No. 102, "Conveyor Terms and Definitions"**. This document required many years of work and when developed, it standardized the industry's worldwide language. As our standards are "living and breathing documents", CEMA members meet at the annual Engineering Conference to update documents to incorporate changes in technology and terminology.

At last count, members of CEMA's General Bulk Handling, Screw Conveyor, and Unit Handling Sections have produced seventeen standard's at CEMA Engineering Conferences. We are also responsible for developing standards as new technologies are developed and integrated into our industries.

The belt conveyor industry's basic handbook "**Belt Conveyors for Bulk Materials**" is the direct result of the work of CEMA members. Everyone's input is welcomed and necessary to continue to keep this book timely and relevant. Additionally the "**CEMA Application Guide for Unit Handling Conveyors**" is a unique reference for design details and application guidance and is also a product of the hard work of the Engineering Conference attendees.

The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) relies on our organization to maintain twelve American National Standards. They require us to keep them revised or reaffirmed every five years for accreditation. ANSI's mission is "To enhance both the global competitiveness of U.S. business and the U.S. quality of life by promoting and facilitating voluntary consensus standards and conformity assessments systems and safeguarding their integrity." In essence, we are a part of ANSI and their mission is our mission, so you can't get much more patriotic than enhancing the U.S. quality of life. This changes the world.

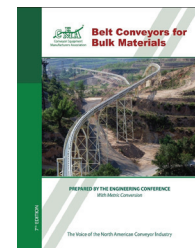
The CEMA Engineering Conference consists of committees and sections that are responsible for **safety, safety labels, safety posters, best practice documents, and technical papers**. All of these items improve our industry and improve the world. We have quite a legacy to maintain and continue to build. So, I will ask

"Do you want to change the world?"

If you do, then contact **CEMA** about **membership** and I look forward to seeing you at the CEMA Engineering Conference.



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CEMA 7th ed. Belt Book



CEMA Unit Handling Book