



# Society for Effective Lessons Learned Sharing (SELLS)

## Lessons Learned Web Site and Database

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### Introduction

The Society for Effective Lessons Learned Sharing (SELLS), with technical support from DOE EH-72, maintains a Lessons Learned Information Services website to provide information to safety and security professionals and others engaged in improving safety, security, and efficiency within the DOE. The site also connects to lessons learned activities in other government agencies and in the private sector.

### How to Access the Web Site

On the World Wide Web (www), go to the following Uniform Resource Locator (URL):

<http://tis.eh.doe.gov/ll/>

### Content

The Web site brings together a searchable database of lessons learned, links to documents and information such as the DOE Lessons Learned Standard and the SELLS web pages, and a very useful contacts list. It also includes an online form for submitting lessons learned, which are then posted to the DOE Lessons Learned List Server and added to the searchable database.

If you find a new Web site with useful lessons learned information, please

inform a SELLS member or the contact below so we can consider adding a link to the site.

### Lessons Learned Database Options

The Lessons Learned database contains lessons indexed by priority descriptor, hazard, work/function, keyword, date, and identifier. Lessons may be viewed by browsing or searching. Browsing by year or category presents a list of lesson summaries with hyperlinks to the full text. Searches on any of the lesson content fields can produce focused results.

Lessons in the database can contain graphics as well as text. See the discussion of the format of lessons learned documents in Section 5.2 and Appendix A of the [Lessons Learned Standard](#) for details of the information available in each section of a lesson. Lessons learned documents that are too large to include directly in the database are entered as a synopsis including enough data to understand the lesson, a hyperlink to the actual document, and contact information for the author.

Since many of the fields in a lessons learned are text, searching by key words or phrases is usually an effective search option. Combination searches are easily constructed by picking several items from selection boxes in addition to entering key words. Selection box lists default to "all items" if none are selected. If no selections are made in any area, then all lessons are returned. Searching on the identifier can locate lessons from a particular site.

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