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From Experience

Celebrating 25 Years of From Experience!

In 2022, Hixson marks the 25th anniversary of producing our From Experience newsletter! When we created the first From Experience in 1997, it was our vision to share the knowledge and insight we have accumulated with our clients.

While many things have changed in the last 25 years, the basis of From Experience remains the same: Provide information to help you operate and maintain your facility more effectively. From tips for improving plant performance and operational effectiveness to handy engineering rules-of-thumb to money-saving suggestions, each issue of From Experience focuses on topics that are relevant to food and beverage plants. Sometimes you will find us quoting sources, but often, the information we present is grounded in our own experience.

What exactly is the source of that experience? Obviously, our own associates and the knowledge they bring to our firm are a big part of it. The average age of a Hixson associate is 42, with 10 years of experience here at Hixson. This means that our associates have an extensive amount of experience working with food and beverage processors: Many, in fact, have worked for food and beverage processors prior to coming to Hixson,

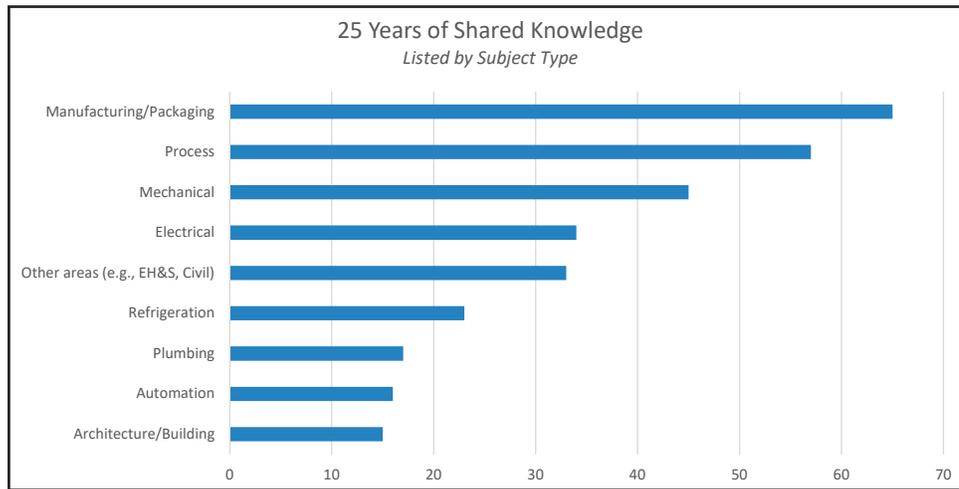
helping to increase their understanding of our clients' challenges and needs. Hixson associates also benefit from our Continuing Education program, which enables all associates to spend at least 40 hours per year learning and growing in their respective fields. And of course, Hixson has worked on thousands of projects in hundreds of plants. These projects have helped our associates grow and expand their knowledge base.

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EXPERIENCE IN BRIEF

Many times over the past 25 years, a reader has remembered a particular topic in From Experience and asked for a back issue...and we are always more than happy to accommodate these requests. In fact, it is our hope that in every monthly issue of From Experience, you are finding at least one nugget of information that you or one of your co-workers can use in your job – if not today, then sometime in the future. In addition to providing back issues, let us know if there is a topic you want us to cover in the future. We like to spend our time on issues and ideas most important to you!

From the seeds of From Experience, other Hixson newsletters quickly followed. The first offshoot happened in 1998, with the first issue of the From Experience – Environmental Health & Safety Edition. As its name implies, this quarterly newsletter, still in production today, exclusively focuses on environmental, industrial hygiene and safety topics. A third publication, Building Experience, which examined architectural, civil, and structural engineering issues, has now been folded into the From Experience brand. We welcome those readers and hope you will gain additional insights as a result of this move!



Whether you've been reading From Experience since 1997 or are new to our publication, we thank you for being a valued reader and look forward to providing knowledge and insights with you for years to come!

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Hixson associates regularly present our experience and knowledge as well as attend various educational activities across the country to grow our knowledge. This month, we invite you to:

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