Safety Innovator Award
RTS Packaging
Hillside, Illinois
Our Safety Concern

- Describe the safety issue and/or the opportunity for improvement.

  - Workplace shootings being the sad reality of our world these days.
  - From 2006 to 2010, an average of 551 workers per year were killed as a result of work–related homicides.
  - Shootings accounted for 78 percent of all workplace homicides in 2010 (405 fatal injuries).
  - 83 percent of these workplace homicides from shootings occurred in the private sector.
Our Solution

- Describe your solution and/or improvement.
  - Implemented an active shooter plan into our workplace violence program and emergency evacuation plan.
  - Conducted active shooter training for all production and office employees.
  - Executed an active shooter drill with the assistance of the local Police and Fire Departments. This included S.W.A.T. and emergency health services.
Pictures
Materials and Costs

- If the idea involves physical changes, provide information on the design, materials needed and cost.
  - Training Time
    - Plant was shut down for 2.5 hours for the drill
    - Hour long training sessions with plant personnel
    - Lengthy planning process for training and drill
Benefits and Cost Savings

- Summarize the benefits of the innovation and outline any associated cost savings.
  - Community Development
    - City Services are better trained to assist
  - Save Lives
    - Generated Awareness
    - Distributed Practical Advice
  - Prevent Workplace Violence
    - Explained Assistance Programs
    - Trained employees on warning signs
    - Deter violence by advertising police involvement