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MERCURY POISONING

Expert Investigates Exposure at Manufacturing Facility

Workers in a fluorescent lighting manufacturing facility were exposed to mercury from recycling operations and were injured. Numerous plaintiffs were diagnosed with mercury poisoning. Robson Forensic expert, Ron Schaible, was retained by plaintiffs' counsel to investigate this incident.

Ron's early involvement in framing discovery questions revealed numerous potential failures in the employer's environmental, health and safety programs. Initial discovery helped Ron identify and focus on specific industrial hygiene and hazardous waste issues and documentation requirements which a compliant EHS program would have included. If compliant in these areas, worker exposures would be expected to be minimal. Responses to Ron's discovery questions revealed critical failures that were in violation of federal safety and environmental regulations and contrary to accepted industrial hygiene practices.

Faced with an untenable position, the defendant admitted liability. Settlement was successfully reached in the \$1-\$5 million range without further expert involvement.

Contact [Ronald D. Schaible, CIH, CSP](#) for information on how we can aid in your investigation.