**Email Subject: Improving My Leadership Development Skills**

As part of my ongoing leadership development journey, I would like to attend SPE’s **Essentials of Management & Leadership in Plastics**. This virtual program is designed to develop not only leadership skills, but also to provide real-world strategies I can bring to our organization. No other Leadership Certificate Program exists that is specifically designed for those in the plastics industry.

**Essentials of Management & Leadership in Plastics** prepares early to mid-level career professionals in the plastics industry for leadership roles. Once I complete the program I will receive a digital credential and will be fully prepared to:

* Demonstrate a leader’s approach to volatile, uncertain, complex, and ambiguous (VUCA) environments
* Participate in the strategic planning process for our company
* Display a leader's mindset when working with cross-functional teams
* Express a basic understanding of financial principles in business meetings

**Essentials of Management & Leadership in Plastics** is a six-month cohort-based program delivered in a virtual format with opportunities to interact with learning materials on my own schedule, asynchronously, as well as participate in live group training sessions, synchronously, with other learners. There are a total of six modules, one per month. The current program begins in October 2023 and ends in March 2024.

By participating in the program, I would commit to 4 hours of synchronous interactions each month as well as 12-16 hours asynchronous work (ex: engaging self-paced learning components, training materials, or provided exercises). In total, I would invest 16-20 hours of time per module for a total of 96-120 hours to complete the program.

Please let me know if you would support my participation in **Essentials of Management & Leadership in Plastics.**

If you would like more information, please visit [www.4spe.org/LeadershipEssentials](http://www.4spe.org/LeadershipEssentials).