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This presentation provides a definition of statistical leadership and begins to develop an understanding of how statisticians can improve their skills with a focus on the larger organization/business view and influence. Every statistician is on a leadership journey; learn how to up your game.

Biography: James L. Hess is currently retired after a career in industry spanning 30+ years. He retired in 2012 as a Vice President of Leggett & Platt, Incorporated with corporate responsibility for the Risk Management, Environmental Affairs, Leggett Business Continuous Process Improvement, and Logistics functions. He worked with Leggett & Platt for seventeen years. Prior to joining Leggett & Platt, he worked for the DuPont Company for fifteen years as a statistical consultant and a manager in their Quality Management & Technology Center. Before joining DuPont, he was on the faculty at Kansas State University in the Statistics Department. undergraduate degree in Applied Mathematics from Missouri University of Science and Technology and his Ph.D. in Mathematical Statistics from Southern Methodist University. He is the author of several articles on the application of statistics to process improvement, and has coauthored a book titled Statistical Design and Analysis of Experiments published by John Wiley & Sons. During 2015 Jim had the pleasure of being a Visiting Research Professor in the Department of Statistical Science at Southern Methodist University.

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