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# **Safety Considerations and Request for Additional Engineering Personnel (adapted from NSPE Case No. 84-5)**

## **Year**

1999

## **Description**

An engineer is concerned for worker safety during construction, but is pressured by his client's objections to the cost of an on-site representative. This is an open-ended scenario for discussion based on a case from the NSPE Board of Ethical Review.

## **Body**

Mikami, an engineer, is hired by a client to supply complete engineering services for a project involving the design and construction of a building. Mikami recommends to the client that for safety reasons a full-time, on-site project engineer be hired. The client tells Mikami that it would be too expensive to do so.

What can Mikami do about the client's decision to ignore her recommendation for a full-time project engineer?

[NSPE Code of Ethics](#) An earlier version may have been used in this case.

## **Notes**

See the original NSPE case at: [Engineer's Recommendation For Full-Time, On-Site Project Representative - Case No. 84-5.](#)

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