

## **Antitrust Statement**

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It is essential that one observes certain ground rules as you participate in committee and task force meetings. The antitrust laws prohibit or make highly imprudent the discussion of a number of matters, such as there can be no discussion regarding the price paid or charged by the organizations one represents; other terms or conditions established by one's organization, such as credit terms, markups, commissions, or profits; the geographical area in which one's organization is seeking or may seek to do business; the persons or organizations with whom one's organization will or will not do business; or production costs and plans.

Any departure from these ground rules could result in severe civil and criminal penalties to one as an individual, to one's organization, and even to IAEE. Indeed, federal sentencing guidelines mandate jail sentences for antitrust violations and call for criminal fines.