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William “Bill” Diesslin is the Director of the Iowa State University Department of Environmental Health and Safety, Ames, Iowa. He has thirty years of experience managing health and safety in higher learning. In addition to his role at ISU, Mr. Diesslin consults with educational institutions and industry throughout the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and Middle East.

Mr. Diesslin has a B.S. in Life Sciences from Winona State University and a M.S. in Environmental Engineering from Iowa State University. He is a Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM), Certified Safety Professional (CSP) and has earned an Associate in Risk Management (ARM). He is now in his second term on the Board of Directors for the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM), and is serving his first year as Board Chair after having served as the Board's Vice Chair. Bill has also served on the Coordinating Committee for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Sectors Strategy Initiative, and chaired the government relations committee for the Campus Safety Health and Environmental Management Association (CSHEMA). Recently, Bill was appointed to the Experimental Sounding Rocket Association (ESRA) advisory board.

Bill has been married 30 years and has two adult daughters; one has followed in his footsteps for her career. In his free time, Bill sings in a quartet, enjoys hiking and keeps classic automobiles running.