## THE FEEDBACK PLEDGE

- I understand that feedback is critical to the success of my colleagues, the organization, and myself
- The feedback I get could be 10% true, but 100% true in **perception**
- The feedback I provide is how I perceive things, and not necessarily how things really are
- When I provide feedback, I understand that the other person doesn't have to accept it, but it's still worth giving
- Positive feedback makes me feel better about myself. Negative feedback makes me better
- When I provide **positive** feedback, I will:
  - o share with many
  - o do it to my colleagues' face and behind their backs
- When I provide *negative* feedback, I will:
  - o do it in a **constructive** way as much as possible
  - o do my best to deliver it face-to-face
  - o deliver it once I know the other person is **ready** to take it
  - o never do it in front of other people
  - o never copy anyone on the email (CC or BCC)
  - o say what I mean, mean what I say, and not be mean when I say it
- If I can't take feedback *here* or *now*, I will say it, and be responsible to ask for it later, when I can
- When I receive feedback, I will acknowledge it and its intention even if I didn't accept it
- When I give feedback, I will only look for acknowledgement, and not for commitment