

# Today's Agenda



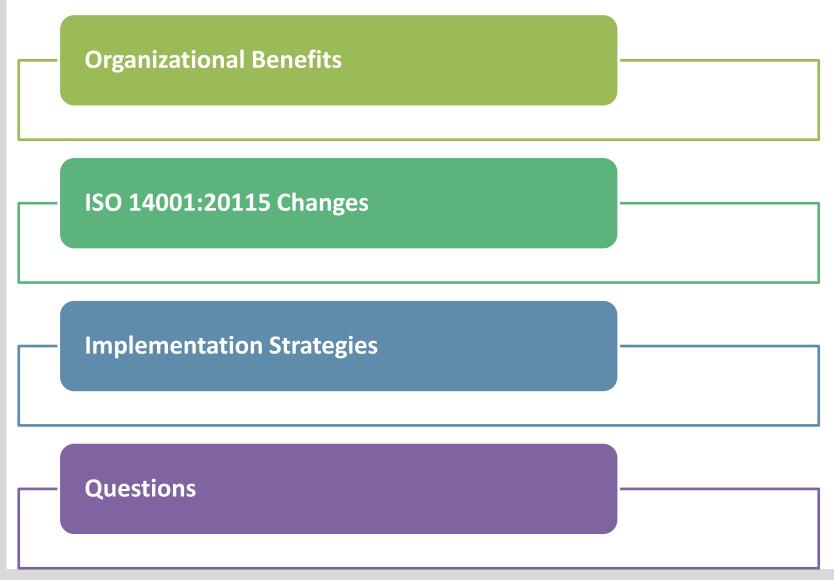
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## Organizational Benefits



The purpose of an EMS is environmental protection

ISO 14001 provides a framework to achieve environmental goals

#### When fully implemented an EMS will:

- Establish environmental policy
- Support processes, procedures and practices including training and recordkeeping
- Manage and control environmental activities or processes consistently
- Promote continual improvement



## Organizational Benefits



Because an EMS requires an organization to consider and evaluate all environmental issues, key benefits of implementation include:

- Compliance
- Employee Engagement
- Achieving Goals
- Improved Efficiency
- Reduced Cost
- Stakeholder Confidence
- Expanded Influence



# ISO Background



# International Organization for Standardization ISO 14001 – Environmental Management System

- First published in 1996
- Reviewed every 5 years
- Revised twice (2004 and 2015) since the 1996 publication





## ISO 14001:2015 Changes



#### 2004

- 1.0 Scope
- 4.0 EMS Requirements
- 4.1 General Requirements
- 4.2 Environmental Policy
- 4.3 Planning
- 4.4 Implementation and Operation
- 4.5 Checking
- 4.6 Management Review

#### 2015

- 1.0 Scope
- 4.0 Context of the Organization
- 5.0 Leadership
- 6.0 Planning
- 7.0 Support
- 8.0 Operation
- 9.0 Performance Evaluation
- 10.0 Improvement



# Key Changes



#### **Key Changes**

- Inclusion of EMS within the strategic planning
- Greater focus on leadership
- Lifecycle thinking
- More emphasis on communication and documentation
- Evaluation of Risks and Opportunities
- Common structure and terms used in other ISO management system



## Scope



# New Language: Organizations should consider intended outcomes when updating their current EMS

- Enhancing Environmental Performance and Sustainability
- Identifying Compliance Obligations
- Meeting Environmental Objectives
- Incorporating a Life Cycle Perspective



## Scope



#### **Example: Life Cycle Perspective**





# Context of the Organization



# New Focus: Include environmental management in organizational strategic planning

- Re-evaluate internal and external factors affecting scope
- Identify interested parties
- Incorporate all environmental commitments and activities
- Consider knowledge gained



# Context of the Organization



**Example: Interested Parties** 



## Leadership



# New Focus: Top management should take the lead in integrating EMS in the organization

- Taking accountability for the effectiveness of EMS
- Ensuring policy and objectives compatible with strategic direction of organization
- Integration of EMS into business practices
- Ensuring adequate resources
- Communicating the importance of EMS



# **Planning**



New Focus: Organization shall document EMS planning activities and actions to address risk and opportunities

#### Documentation should include:

- Identifying and addressing risks and opportunities
- Significant environmental aspects
- Compliance obligations
- Communication with stakeholders



## **Planning**



#### **Example: Risks and Opportunities**

# Potential Adverse Effects

- Air pollution
- Waste Generation
- Depletion of Natural Resource

# Potential Beneficial Effects

- Increased efficiency
- Cost reduction
- Regulatory Compliance



## Support and Operation



Increased Emphasis: Provide resources and evaluate procedures for communication and documentation of EMS programs





## Support and Operation



The revised standard expands the requirements for communication including:

- Defining the process for when, with who, what and how it will communicate
- Encouraging employees to contribute
- Consideration of compliance obligations when communicating externally
- Documentation of the communication process
- Emergency preparedness and response



# Performance Evaluation and Improvement



# Evaluate the effectiveness of compliance actions taken and identify compliance status

- What should be monitored
- Methods for monitoring
- Evaluation criteria
- Timeframes
- Documentation





## Performance Evaluation and Improvement



The management review should include more detail including:

- Evaluation of resources
- Fulfillment of compliance obligations
- Implications related to the strategic direction of the organization







# VHA Implementation Strategies

Moving forward with ISO 14001:2015



#### Who is the VA?



# Department of Veterans Affairs Healthcare Network

168 Medical Center1,053 Outpatient Sites

Serving over 8.9 million veterans each year





#### VHA EMS



# Green Environmental Management System (GEMS) Program

The VA GEMS program began in 2005 and has primarily focused on environmental compliance and continual improvement

The VA has made great strides in improving their environmental compliance and sustainability using EMS



## VHA Implementation Strategies



# Compliance vs. Conformance. Moving away for the binder on the shelf approach

- Crosswalk Development
- Employee Training
- Corporate templates
- Standardized list of significant aspects
- Compliance Requirements/Assessment Matrix
- Internal and External Auditing Processes



# Proposed Standardized Significant Aspects



Waste

Hazardous

Universal

Regulated Medical

Water

Sanitary

Storm

AST/UST managemen

Air Emissions

**Energy Usage** 



#### CR/AM



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# CR/AM



Significant Aspects	Objectives/Targets	Monitoring		
		Task	Frequency/Due Date	
Hazardous Waste				
Management				
	Manage Hazardous Waste Program	Overall Management		
		Complete Hazardous Waste Summary Report(Form MO 780-1097)	Annually/August 14	
		Complete Exception report(Form MO 780- 0651)	As needed	
		Submit Notification of Regulated Waste Activity(Form MO 780-1164)	Upon changes that modify the previous notification	
		Perform accumulation area inspection	Weekly	
		Verify waste accumulation is no greater than 180 days	As needed	
		Spill Reporting and cleanup	As needed	
		Maintain tracking documentation for all hazardous waste in a central location	As needed	
		Ensure DOT training has been conducted for signers of manifests	Every 3 yrs.	
		Perform Hazardous Waste training	Annually	

# CR/AM



<u>Legal Requirement</u>	Roles & Responsibilities	<u>Document Control</u>	<u>Training</u>	Comments
		Awareness training		
10 CSR 25-5.262(2)(D)(1)C	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	N/A	Missouri Form found here.
40 CFR Part 262.42/10 CSR 25- 5.262(2)(D)(2)C	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	N/A	Missouri Form found here.
40 CFR Part 263.11(b)	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	N/A	
40 CFR Part 265.174	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	N/A	
40 CFR Part 262.34(d)	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	N/A	
40 CFR Part 262.34(d)(iv)(B)	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	N/A	
40 CFR Part 262.40(a)	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	N/A	
49 CFR Part 172.702(a)	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	DOT Hazardous Waste Manifest Training	
40 CFR Part 265.16	GEMS Coordinator	GEMS Coordinator's Office	Hazardous Waste Handler Training	

