EPC Process Safety Training Modules – July 2013

Concept presented to EPC by Knowledge Management Subcommittee, March 7, 2013. Consolidated feedback from the meeting:

- Concept supported by Committee. Endorsed development/presentation of specific proposal for consideration.
- Proposal must address the following concerns and suggestions:
 - *Concern*: Risk setting precedent of paying authors for developing EPC technical content authors could ask for compensation in the future.
 - *Concern*: Need to avoid specifying best practices or guidelines. Committee cannot risk becoming a source of standards.
 - *Concern*: Avoid dependence on employers of EPC members. Content must be non-confidential and associated with the employer of any EPC member.
 - Suggestion: Get input from Safety Subcommittee on priority of topics and potential content experts
 - *Suggestion*: Confirm that AIChE is agreeable with the approach, having EPC develop training content.
 - Suggestion: Consider using universities rather than industrial consultants

Proposal:

Sponsorship / Governance	Ethylene Producers' Committee acts as approver and sponsor of the activity
	Knowledge Management Subcommittee leads the activity following endorsement of Proposal
	Committee endorsement is required prior to:

	 Development of each new module. Publication of a module Expenditure of funds Safety Subcommittee endorsement is required for: Setting priorities for technical topics Selection of consultants Review of technical deliverables
Structure	 Individual modules, each focused on an olefins specific process safety hazard
Format of Modules	 Two tier training package: Introductory training module suitable for initial or refresher training: PowerPoint with notes format, containing Introduction, Examples, Fundamental Principles, Commonly Practiced Approaches to Hazard Management, References White Paper – if existing white paper is not already available as reference Consider alternate media for Introductory Training module, e.g. multimedia, Kahn Academy
Authors	 Independent, recognized experts with industrial experience specific to the topic. Industry or academic consultants, nominated by Knowledge Management committee, reviewed with Safety Subcommittee, and approved by Committee No proprietary content. No confidential technical content from member companies. Responsibility / liability language to be developed. Copyright held by author, with permission granted for

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Compensation	Request that experts donate their time and expertise
	Committee offers to reimburse for out of pocket expenses
Hosting of technical deliverables	Proposal to be developed by Knowledge Management Subcommittee. Lead options are EPC Omnipress website and AIChE/partner training area (ChemE on demand)
Partnerships / Alliances	 Start as an EPC program Knowledge Management Subcommittee continue to discuss opportunities for partnering with others (e.g. AIChE) if it believes partnership would bring added value. Proposals for partnership require review and approval of the Committee.