UKOPA Competency Framework Document

Phase 1

Status Report

Competency & Training Work Group

UKOPA Competency Framework

Aim:-

To develop for UKOPA a competency framework that can be used to ensure that the essential competencies needed by those working on pipeline operations are determined, achieved and recorded

Brief History

- Origins

- Transco STC System

- Structure suitable for wide application within the pipeline industry

- High level, simple to use framework

- Guidance document

Competency Framework

- Overview

- Pipeline Engineering activities, tasks and role descriptions

- Competency Profiles

- Competency Assessment and Record

- Guidance Notes

- Summary of Relevant Legislation

Development

- Focus on 2 Areas
  - Does
  - Supervise

- Demonstrate competency by
  - theoretical knowledge,
  - practical knowledge,
  - experience

Current Status

- Peer Group Review – February 2002
  - Number of recommendations

- Addressed by C&T WG
  - Included in the current version

- Recommend to UKOPA for publication – Oct 02

- Peer review & industry comments for next review of 'Living Document' – March 03

Peer Review Recommendations

- Clarify scope and include definitions

- Inclusion of role descriptions and core H,S&E competencies

- Competency Profiles:

    - Consistency and format

    - Incorporation of recognised qualifications

    - Recognise company specific requirements

    - Include time periods for relevant experience

- Recording – Allow company specific approaches