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HSE Strategy for Workplace Health & Safety to 2010 and beyond – issues for the Pipelines Industry

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- Introduction to the Strategy
- Gas & Pipelines Strategy 2004 – 2007
- Proposed initiatives – UKOPA
- How things will change

HSE Strategy to 2010 & beyond

- Launched Feb'2004
- Overall vision & direction for H&S System
- Cornerstone of a civilised society & a record on H&S that leads the world
- Key drivers
 - ◆ Safety performance static
 - ◆ Massive improvement in Health required
 - ◆ UK structural change
 - ◆ Resources

Strategic themes

- Developing closer partnerships
- A sensible H&S culture
- Focusing on our core business
- Communication effectively

Developing closer partnerships

- Working with & through others
 - ◆ Professional institutions
 - ◆ Standards making bodies
 - ◆ Etc.

A sensible H&S culture

- Sensible approach to risk management
 - ◆ H&S has been hi-jacked
 - ◆ Over-zealous application
- Involvement of the workforce

Focusing on our core business (1)

- Clear priorities - what we do (and don't) and why?
- Public safety better regulated by others
- Enforcement – secure proportionate compliance with the law

Focusing on our core business (2)

- Major hazards industries and public assurance
 - ◆ Pipeline integrity
 - ◆ Sell off of Transco networks
 - ◆ COMAH sites (terminals, OPA sites, LNG import facilities, salt cavity storage)
 - ◆ GSMR – supply emergencies, gas specification
 - ◆ Third party incidents around MAHPs

Focusing on our core business (3)

■ Health issues

- ◆ Stress – long working hours, irregular shift patterns
- ◆ Musculoskeletal disorders
 - ◆ HAVs
 - ◆ Manual handling

Communicating effectively

- Need to develop more open, mature, transparent and inclusive two way communications with a wide range of stakeholders

Something for nothing?

- PSR amendments dropped
- GSMR amendments
- LUP issues
- Involvement in standards work?

MAHPs - third party damage

- Currently developing strategy
- Improve links with UKOPA and take action on 'poor performers'
- Targeted investigation of third party damage/potentially serious near misses to MAHPs
- Joint initiatives with Construction
- No-dig seminar September 2004
- Work with major players (e.g. BP)

Summary

- More of the same but better targeted
- Clear decision to support and work with UKOPA
- MAH pipelines remain core business
- Will not get involved unless fits with strategy