

Technical seminar: Progress with societal risk around onshore, non-nuclear major hazards

A one-day technical seminar, HSE will present its recent work and invite delegates to contribute to the debate on:

- Techniques and methods to estimate societal risk from onshore major hazards
- Societal risk and assessment for development control
- Risk criteria

Programme Chair - John Murray, Head of
Major Accidents Risk Assessment Unit

Welcome

Eddie Moorland, Director, HSL

Societal risk: A view from Government

Peter Baker, Head of Chemical Industries Division, HSE

Background and challenges

Stuart Reston, HSE

Concept and context from a government adviser

Dr Paul Davies, Lloyds Register

COFFEE

Estimating societal risk: modelling and outputs

Dr Mike Wardman, HSL

Presenting societal risk information

Kevin O'Donnell, HSE and Ian Lines, Atkins Global

LUNCH

Key considerations for a future framework

Neil Porter, HSE and Dr Andrew Franks, ERM (UK)

Emerging technical positions

Kevin O'Donnell, HSE

An industry view

John Galbraith, Sabic UK

Closing remarks - John Murray

Seminar close



Date: 30 April 2009 Time: 09.30 – 15.45
Venue: Health and Safety Laboratory,
Harpur Hill, Buxton SK17 9JN

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From 2001 to 2004, HSE used information provided by major hazard sites to produce initial estimates of societal risk levels around all COMAH sites. This indicated that there were about 55 sites likely to require revised policies for development control and on-site measures.

In July 2007, HSE produced consultation document CD212 on societal risk, on behalf of the Government. Following feedback, ministers agreed that work should be done on implementation.

Two advisory groups were then convened. One involves representatives of local planning authorities (LPAs), devolved administrations and Government departments, who advise on how societal risk input into land use planning decisions can best be delivered. The other group advises on technical issues of societal risk calculation.

HSE has recently begun trials to test societal risk methodology. These trials will examine ways in which societal risk information can be used and allow industry and the volunteer planning authorities to feedback on the process while it is still under development.

To register for this free event, please email the following information to: mary.buteux@hsl.gov.uk

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Job title:

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Special dietary requirements:

Replies by 17 April would be appreciated. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email.

Cancellation:

This event is limited to 80 delegates and is likely to be oversubscribed. A reserve list will be operated. If you are offered a place and are then unable to attend, please email the contact above. HSE wishes to have as representative attendance as possible and may liaise with the co-sponsors to achieve this.