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Strategic Safety Systems Ltd. Newsletter

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Dear Philip,

Welcome to the March edition our new style newsletter. What we aim to do is to provide information which is of use to you and to let you know the activities in which we have been involved. We also aim to let you know of any incidents that have occurred in, and legislation that is related to, the areas in which we work. We realise that, with the broad spectrum of our activities, some may not be relevant to you but we hope you find the rest useful.

Whilst the intention of this newsletter is to be useful, we realise that most people are plagued by spam and should you wish to prevent future issues being sent to you, unsubscribe using the link at the bottom of the page.

Regards,

Philip Chambers
Strategic Safety Systems Ltd.

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Legal updates - Waste Regulations 2011

The long awaited Waste (England and Wales) Regs 2011 are available for consultation. Unfortunately, they don't live up to the promise of their 2009 version and they don't replace as much as they could do. The main features are:

- Repeals some legislation and combines regulations.
- Specifies a hierarchy of
 1. Prevention
 2. Reuse
 3. Recycling
 4. Recovery eg energy recovery
 5. Disposaltaking into account technical and economic feasibility, protection of resources, etc., and requires producer to confirm that they have applied this hierarchy.
- Specifies (in Sch.2) amendments to Hazardous Waste Regulations, (in Sch.3) amendments to Environmental Permitting Regulations and (in Sch.4) amendments to other regulations.
- Covers activities by local authorities.
- Requires producer to register (by Dec.2013) if they carry their own controlled waste.

Repeals:

- Environmental Protection (Duty of Care) Regulations 1991
- Waste Management Licensing Regulations 1994 (as amended 1995, 1997).

For those companies with an [SSS-complied Register of Legislation](#), issue R will incorporate the new regulations.

VIBIXA 14001 and 18001 Milestone



L-R Tim Pittaway and Mike Lloyd of Vibixa and Phil Chambers of SSS

Cheltenham-based carton manufacturer Vibixa have been awarded certification to ISO 14001 Environmental Management Systems and OHSAS 18001 Health & Safety Management Systems. The systems reflected the practices already in place at Vibixa and certification to international standards gives a formal recognition to this. They are additional to quality and hygiene certifications already achieved by Vibixa.

Vibixa's Managing Director, Tony Szymonik said, "We have always had a responsible approach to health, safety and environmental issues, so we were confident that we were on the right track. We did anticipate that there might be difficulties in achieving certification, but with the help of Strategic Safety Systems, these proved quite simple to meet. The way we have involved everybody at Vibixa in contributing to this certification has given us benefits far beyond a certificate on the wall."

Strategic Safety Systems Director, Phil Chambers, said, "I have worked with Vibixa for many years now their whole approach to safety and environmental concerns is aimed at achieving best standards. The Vibixa certifications are a landmark for us as they were the 40th to ISO 14001 and the 20th to OHSAS 18001 certification for which SSS have provided support. We look forward to working with Vibixa on their next target which is FSC and PEFC Chain of Custody certification."
[See more about certification support.](#)

FSC - use of your buyer's logo

As this is not in the main standard FSC-STD-40-004 V 2-0, you may easily miss this requirement. If you are using another company's logo, please be aware that there is a requirement that is in FSC-STD-50-001 (V1-2). Clause 4.5 requires:

- Both companies to inform their certification bodies, defining which certification body is responsible for approval
- That certification body then has obligations on the correct use of the logo
- The supplier must keep data relating to the use of the buyer's logos separate from its own logos.

It's easy to assume that, say you are using a publishing house's logo, you don't have to worry. Take this approach and you'll be caught out.

[See Clause 4.5](#)

INTACT updates

INTACT, the SSS Integrated Action Management system has recently been upgraded to include the following features:

Improved link between audit record and schedule

Signing off an existing audit report automatically schedules another audit a year hence.

Calibration record system

This is really suited to companies in the Engineering and similar sectors where there are a large number of pieces of equipment that require periodic calibration. INTACT now includes a scheduling and record system where individual items have their calibration interval, calibration method, acceptance limits and responsible person defined. Linked to this is a record system, showing due date and date on which the calibration was carried out, plus any issues found. As with similar features in INTACT, a calibration becoming due appears in the responsible person's TO DO list 4 weeks before the due date.

[See more about INTACT Calibration Records](#)

I hope you have found this information of interest. If you have any suggestions of other information you would like to see, please [contact me](#).
Regards,

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