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Strategic Safety Systems Ltd. Newsletter

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Dear Philip,

Welcome to the second May edition of our 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
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ISO 7010



There is a new standard for signs, ISO 7010.

Beware of people trying to persuade you that you must update your signs; this is not true.

New symbols need to comply with ISO 7010. Ideally, you shouldn't mix symbols from the old and new standards, particularly with escape routes, but in my opinion, the differences are not that great so you should not need a wholesale upgrade of signs on escape routes.

PEFC Standard changes

The PEFC standard was changed last week to PEFC STD 2002-2013.

The changes are:

- Expanded definition of controversial sources to include EUTR-specific requirements such as compliance with trade and customs legislation in addition to legislation relating to international, national, or local legislation concerning forest-related activities.
- Additional information requirements on tree species and origin to satisfy information needs of various legislative and regulatory processes such as the EUTR
- The PEFC Due Diligence System (DDS) is now an integral element of the PEFC Chain of custody standard and mandatory for all certified entities and all material, including certified material.
- Enhanced scope of prohibited material to include conflict timber

These don't seem to affect our customers that much as it applies to upstream companies. However,

SSS will go through this clause by clause and let you know if there are any applicable implications.

Incidents and court cases

Death from Dichloromethane fumes

An employee was using an industrial paint and varnish remover to strip a resin coating from a bath in a bathroom of houses on which he was working. The ventilation was inadequate and there were no other precautions. He was overcome by the fumes and died.

[See details](#)

Inadequate segregation causes death

A metal recycling company was fined £370,000 (inc. costs) following an accident where a worker was crushed by a vehicle. There were a range of problems including unauthorised driving and overridden interlocks.

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BAe Systems fined £350,000 following death of employee in press.

A maintenance worker was one of four maintaining a large press. They were working in pairs at either end. Sighting was poor and one pair of employees started the press, resulting in the death of one of the pair at the other end.

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Daily updates

Don't forget, there's lots of useful information that is highlighted typically daily on the SSS Twitter and Blog sites.

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Regards,

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