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The Vision and Mission





The Vision

We believe that contractor adoption of Pipeline SMS is essential to industry SMS maturity. We believe there should be an industry framework that is clear, scalable and flexible for all contractors. It should leave contractors with an understanding on the value of Pipeline SMS for it's employees, business, customers, and communities in which they work.



The Mission

A 2022 industry group goal is to increase Pipeline SMS support of contractors and small operators. To develop a industry led contractor framework and assessment tool that guides contractors in their Pipeline SMS adoption, while providing flexibility and scale for the diversity of work contractors perform.

Current State

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Survey

2022 survey identified contractor and small operator support needs.

Goals

Industry team and its sub groups developed goals to advance Pipeline SMS.

Framework

Collaboration and industry development of a contractor framework.

Assessment

Development of an assessment tool(s) that support the contractor framework.

Industry Education

Industry awareness, education, and support continued.



A framework developed by industry for industry.



One Team - One Goal

Drafted with an inclusive industry approach centered on zero incidents.



Tailored, Inclusive Content

Collaboratively sourced information from contractors, trade associations, operators and other industry sources. Version 1 intention is to move from awareness to knowledge.



Scalable, Flexible

Accounts for the diverse spectrum of contractors, subsets applicable RP statements, and leads through examples.

The Feedback

What may be missing that is beneficial for the contracting community to understand the value of Pipeline SMS?

The guide incorporates references from RP1173, AGA whitepaper, Quality Management Systems, and other common operator efforts of contractor engagement.

What are the best channels to help educate and support contractors on this framework?

The goal is to increase contractor support through the use of this guide and other framework tools.



Third Party Assessment for contractors

The concept would provide a team of independent, third-party safety management system experts, or assessors that spend time on site, working with contractor employees and leadership (across the company's service disciplines) to fully understand the current pipeline safety processes, programs and systems of the contractor.



Practices

Inform and educate contractors on notable practices



Benchmarking

Real-time Benchmarking (aggregated and blind.)



Experience

Average assessor experience is 20+ years.



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Thank you!