

Code of Conduct for promoting Process Safety in the Dutch Process Industry

Purpose

The profile of the process industry in Dutch society is to a great extent determined by the risk management which the industry imposes on itself, along with its industrial partners and the public authorities. Hence, it is of paramount importance that all individuals involved, in technical roles and non-technical roles, are fully aware of their personal duties to support society.

To this end, Stichting NAP has prepared a Code of Conduct that can be endorsed voluntarily and in a private capacity. Stichting NAP encourages whoever is involved in the Dutch process industry to adhere this Code of Conduct.

“My responsibilities with regard to the process safety and technical integrity of process facilities”

"As a senior manager I am aware of my exemplary role model function to ensure the process safety and technical integrity of our process facilities for the sake of society."

I will meet my personal responsibility for the process safety and technical integrity to the best of my knowledge:

- *My operating, maintenance and inspection activities shall comply with the applicable industrial norms, and also with the internal and external requirements and regulations.*
- *I will give serious thought to any impact on the process safety and integrity of the process facilities when making decisions.*
- *I will not give employees instructions that are inconsistent with the legal provisions or which might put the safety at risk.*
- *I will address my colleague managers, including those in non-technical functions, about their responsibilities in terms of safety.*
- *I will address any concerns regarding the process safety of our facilities with priority, without repercussions for those who raise these concerns.*
- *I will make best efforts to make sure that the internal and external relief agencies (e.g. firefighters) can control calamities together that might have been caused by our operations, through practice and by providing the appropriate devices thereto.*

"As a process industry Professional, process safety and technical integrity are integrated parts of my work ethics and duty to provide advice."

My personal integrity and responsibility for our society are beyond any personal gain or career interests:

- *I will respect the standards and values of my profession in terms of the process safety and technical integrity of the process facilities, and I will remain informed about any relevant knowledge.*
- *If in doubt about the application of the regulations, guidelines, design rules or the operation, inspection and maintenance procedures, I will seek advice from the authorised persons.*
- *In the event of deviations from legislation, regulations, standards or procedures, I will report matters to the authorised company representatives, and possibly escalate the matter.*

"As a representative of an external supervisory body, I monitor on behalf of society the process safety and technical integrity of process facilities to the best of my knowledge and ability."

- *It is my duty to proactively test and report the risk management procedures and measures of the process industry.*
- *I will actively share knowledge within the process industry on how it can give substance to the purpose of the law in a practical manner.*

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