Port Commerce Department

Environmental Management System

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Environmental Stewardship

Expand and promote role as environmental steward for the NY/NJ Harbor

- Adopted as Departmental Business Objective
 - Formed Environmental Unit
 - Centralized Environmental Functions

Become a model Green Port by implementing Environmental Management System (EMS)

Protect the environment while providing economic benefits to the region



What is an EMS and What Does it Do

Systematic process to align organizational and environmental objectives vertically

Uses ISO 14001 Standard

Delineates roles and responsibilities for environmental programs

Structured approach for managing environmental responsibilities

Provides consistent measure of environmental performance

- Find and fix root causes of potential problems
- Prevent pollution, conserve energy/natural resources

Positions organization to be proactive vs. reactive on environmental issues



Benefits of EMS

- Regulators view organizations with an EMS as "proactive"
- EMS helps drive compliance by integrating environmental requirements into the overall business model
- Demonstrate leadership in environmental protection
- Enhance credibility and public image
- Reduce cost and improve efficiency
- Lower environmental liability
- Improve emergency response capability
- Increase staff awareness, competency, involvement and morale
- Establish common management framework to integrate other port objectives such as safety, security, operational efficiency and community relations.



Selection of Fenceline

- Maintenance Shops
 - New Jersey Marine Terminals
 - New York Marine Terminals
- Public Berthing Area
 - New Jersey Marine Terminals
 - New York Marine Terminals
- Dredging Operations



Developed an Environmental Policy

Top management & EMR defined Port Commerce Department Environmental Policy and finalized on 10/12/05.

In the Environmental Policy PCD indicated that we are committed to:

- Operate and maintain our facilities in ways that prevent pollution.
- Evaluate and continually improve the total environmental effect of our operations and activities.
- **Comply** with all environmental **laws** and **regulations**.
- <u>Communicate</u> our environmental responsibilities openly with our <u>employees</u>, customers, suppliers, stakeholders and the <u>community</u>.

For Complete copy of Port of NY&NJ Environmental Policy go to: www.panynj.com, click on Seaports, click on Community and the Environment, click on Environmental Commitment and click on the active link for the Environmental Policy.



Basic Concepts and Phases of EMS

Four Phases to successfully implement a formal EMS:

- Plan (Planning Phase), setting the goals of the EMS
- Do (Implementation and Operation Phase)
- Check (Checking and Corrective Action Phase)
- Act (Management Review phase)



Planning Phase

The Planning Phase includes 4 Items:

- Identifying Environmental aspects of activities and determine significant impacts
- Checking legal requirements and permits that are applicable to the environmental aspects
- Setting objectives and targets
- Establishing and maintaining an Environmental Management Program (s) to achieve objectives and targets



Implementation and Operation Phase

The Implementation & Operation Phase includes:

- Defining Roles and Responsibilities
- Providing essential Resources
- Providing Training Awareness & Additional training needs
- Maintaining Procedures for Internal/External Communication
- Completing Procedures for EMS Documentation & Document Control
- Identifying Operations and activities associated w/ Significant Environmental Aspects
- Completing System Procedures and Operational Controls.



Checking, Corrective Action and Management Review Phases

The last two phases of the system:

III. Checking and Corrective Action Phase:

- Monitoring and Measurements
- Non-conformance & Corrective Action
- Establish & Maintain Procedures for Control of Environmental Records
- Establish Programs for EMS Audit

IV. Management Review Phase:

- Review EMS & ensure suitability, adequacy & Effectiveness
- Address possible need for changes to Policy, Objectives and Other Elements.

