

Report of the Task Force on the Future of AWO Safety Leadership

Coastal Safety Committee

June 7, 2011

The Driver: *AWO 21*

- Goal 2: “**Lead** and **support** members in **continuously improving** safety, security and environmental stewardship”

Task Force Interpretation

- **Lead** = Challenge ourselves to do better
- **Support** = Provide flexibility, resources, and tools
- **Continuously improving** = Must be better tomorrow than we are today

Vision of AWO Safety Leadership

- **AWO members, by creating strong safety cultures, will lead the industry in safety and environmental stewardship by:**
 - Exceeding regulatory minimums
 - Striving for continuous improvement
 - Measuring performance

Key Elements

- Audited SMS compliance (RCP or ISM)
- Continuous improvement process/self-assessment tool
- Safety statistics reporting
- Process for sharing near-misses/lessons learned
- Environmental stewardship

A Long-Term Plan

- **Philosophy: Challenge, not overwhelm**
- **Member working groups to flesh out recommendations**
- **FOSL Task Force to provide ongoing oversight**
- **Board flexibility to adjust schedule as needed**

Working Groups

- Steps needed to allow RCP or ISM
- Towing Vessel Self-Assessment tool
- Safety statistics reporting process
- Voluntary mechanism for sharing near-misses/lessons learned
- Environmental stewardship vision and gameplan

June-December 2011

- Working Group to ID steps needed to allow either RCP or ISM
 - As a top priority, if possible, **October 2011 Board vote** to allow either RCP or ISM
- Identify individuals interested in participating on the TVSA Working Group
- Identify individuals with interest in developing statistics reporting process

October 2011-April 2012

- **Working groups:**
 - Recommendations on continuous improvement, statistics reporting
 - Begin to develop voluntary mechanism for sharing near-misses and lessons learned
- **Board vote (April 2012 or later)** to add continuous improvement, statistics reporting to RCP
 - Implementation date TBD

April-October 2012

- **Working groups:**
 - **Begin to define vision of leadership in environmental stewardship**
 - **Make recommendations on lessons learned/near-miss reporting**

We Must Stay Flexible

- **Schedule may change based on:**
 - **Timing of Subchapter M NPRM and final rule**
 - **Complexity of follow-on work**
 - **Board perception of member capacity to implement**
 - **Other demands on AWO and members**

Tentative Implementation Timeline, 2011-2012

- ★ Accreditation Board-led working group identifies steps to allow either RCP or ISM.

- ★ TVSA Working group identified

- ★ Statistics reporting process working group identified

- ★ October 2011 - Board vote to allow either RCP or ISM

- ★ Accreditation Board-led working group to develop recommendations for continuous improvement and statistics reporting

- ★ Working Group to develop voluntary mechanism for sharing lessons learned and near-misses

April 2011 -
October 2011

October 2011 –
April 2012

April 2012 –
October 2012

Post – Sub M

Post-NPRM - Accreditation Board -led working group to recommend necessary changes to make the RCP a pure SMS and ensure its acceptance under Sub M

Post-Final Rule - Implement the changes

- ★ April 2012 or later - Board vote to add safety statistics reporting and continuous improvement to the RCP

- ★ Launch working group to define vision of environmental leadership

- ★ Accreditation Board-led working group to develop recommendations on lessons learned and near-miss reporting

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Questions on the Key Elements

