

## **Specialty Technical Publishers and AECOM Publish Environmental, Health & Safety (EHS) Audit Protocol for Quebec, Canada**

*Latest EHS Regulations updates assist companies to achieve EHS compliance*

North Vancouver, B.C., Canada ([PRWEB](#)) March 17, 2015 -- Specialty Technical Publishers (STP) and AECOM announce the availability of the newly updated International Audit Protocol Consortium (IAPC) EHS audit protocol for Quebec, Canada. Leading companies around the world use IAPC EHS audit protocols to understand the scope of their EHS regulatory obligations and rapidly collect, share, archive, and export audit findings in a cost-effective manner.

IAPC EHS Audit Protocols are prepared by AECOM in partnership with STP and focus on those national (plus, in some cases, regional or provincial) EHS requirements that have a site-specific application for manufacturing operations. With a leading global EHS management consulting practice, AECOM has in-depth knowledge of local/regional EHS requirements and a worldwide technical expertise network.

STP and AECOM maintain leading-edge EHS audit protocols for more than 30 jurisdictions. The protocol documents are written in English and are available on CD-ROM in MS Word, Adobe Acrobat and Excel formats, as well as through STP's web-based portal or can be integrated into an existing company platform. Using the protocols' custom templates and advanced functionality features, auditors can easily track audit findings and manage data over time to improve compliance, risk management and safety performance. In addition, STP's formatting is compatible with leading risk management and sustainability platform providers.

Highlights of selected legislation covered in the newly updated protocol include:

- Under Environment Canada's Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Reporting Program, a notice is published every year in Part I of the Canada Gazette outlining the GHG reporting requirements for the corresponding calendar year. There were no changes to the reporting requirements from those provided in the notice for 2013. The "Notice with Respect to Reporting of Greenhouse Gases for 2014," published on October 11, 2014, applies to the 2014 calendar year.
- Under the "Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999," owners or operators of facilities that meet published reporting requirements are required to report to the National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI). NPRI Notices are published for designated reporting years in Part I of the Canada Gazette. The most recent notice was published on July 12, 2014 for the 2014 and 2015 reporting years.
- The "Canadian Prohibition of Certain Toxic Substances Regulations, 2012" repeal and replace the "Prohibition of Certain Toxic Substances Regulations, 2005." The new Regulations apply to any person who manufactures, uses, sells, offers for sale or imports any of the 22 toxic substances listed in the Regulations, or a product containing any of these substances. There are exemptions provided in the Regulations for the manufacture, use, sale, offer for sale or import of products where the substances are incidentally present and/or for the use of substances or products containing them in a laboratory for analysis, scientific research or as an analytical standard.
- Quebec's "Regulation RCG 08-041, Rules Related to Release into the Works of Sanitation in the Territory of the City of Montreal" requires a facility to have a discharge permit if wastewater discharges exceed 10,000

m<sup>3</sup>/year, or if they contain certain pollutants. While the previous regulation (“Regulation 87” (“Regulation 2001-9 CMM”)) was repealed on January 1, 2012, a discharge permit already issued under the previous regulation remains in effect under “Regulation RCG 08-041.”

- Quebec’s new “Water Withdrawal and Protection Regulation” provides terms and conditions for authorizations for the withdrawal of water and prescribes certain standards for water withdrawals, water withdrawal facilities and facilities or activities that may affect the quality of water withdrawn in the vicinity. It ensures, in particular, the protection of water withdrawn for human consumption or food processing purposes.

For more information on all International EHS audit protocols offered by STP and AECOM, click [here](#).

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