



Date: October 17, 2014

Invitation to participate in a second meeting of the PSM Advisory Committee

The Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) invites you to participate in a second meeting of the Process Safety Management (PSM) Advisory Committee, which will continue to review and comment on proposed revisions to General Industry Safety Orders Sec. 5189, known as the Process Safety Management standard. The meeting details are noted below.

The proposed regulations are being developed as a result of recommendations from Governor Brown's Refinery working group (see *Refinery Safety* at www.dir.ca.gov). Members of the Task Force from Cal/EPA and other agencies will attend the PSM Advisory Committee meeting.

The Report calls for improvements to the existing PSM standard and for additions in seven key areas: (1) The application of inherently safer systems in the context of a hierarchy of controls; (2) comprehensive damage mechanism reviews; (3) safety culture assessments; (4) root cause analysis following major incidents (5) accounting for human factors; (6) managing organizational change; and (7) establishing structured safeguards in process hazard analyses. The Advisory Committee will review and comment on proposed text in each of these areas.

The meeting details are as follows:

- Date: Thursday, November 6, 2014
- Time: 9:00 A.M. — 5:00 P.M.
- Location: Elihu Harris State of California building
13th Floor, DOSH Training Room
1515 Clay Street, Oakland, CA 94612 ([Google Map](#))
- There will be a break for lunch from approximately 12:00 P.M. —1:00 P.M.

Please give yourself a few minutes to pass through the security process. Confirmation of your participation is required. Please RSVP with Sean Ahearn at the California Department of Industrial Relations at SAhearn@dir.ca.gov, or phone 510-286-7273.

Thank you in advance for your participation. We look forward to hearing from you.

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