

Chemical Spillage Audit & Training Success with EMS Ltd

Akzo Nobel Ltd, an ISO14001 accredited multinational Coatings, Chemical and Pharmaceutical company, contracted **Environmental Monitoring Solutions Ltd** to conduct a Chemical Spillage Audit at the Akzo Nobel, Hull site.

The purpose of the audit was to demonstrate effective management of emergency response procedures on site in compliance with ISO14001 and to ensure all legal requirements pertaining to spillage response and waste disposal were being satisfied.

Environmental Monitoring Solutions Ltd, a Dronfield based Environmental Consultancy & Training Centre, conducted a full site audit of the Akzo Nobel, Hull facility to determine current levels of spill response awareness of site personnel and to ascertain current spillage response site practices.

The audit results were used to identify positive and negative aspects of site spillage management, suggest areas for improvement and recommend measures to counter the negative aspects identified on site.

As a result of the audit findings Akzo Nobel, Hull requested that EMS Ltd provide a programme of chemical spillage awareness and response training for line managers and site supervisors to ensure that correct spillage response procedures and legal requirements were being implemented and adhered to on site.

Peter Harrison, Safety, Health & Environmental Manager at Akzo Nobel, Hull, stated:

"... the audit and subsequent training provided by EMS has helped to raise awareness and increase confidence among our current line managers ... due to the training we are better equipped to meet the challenges of effective spillage control, to monitor our performance proactively and take appropriate action if required ... following the training by EMS we have completed a full site environmental awareness audit which has led to improvements to our spillage response procedures and raised awareness at all levels about our environmental responsibilities ..."

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