Specificity and Details for Written Procedures

O&M & EMERGENCY PLANS

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Would you order Strawberry? Cherry? Raspberry? Cinnamon? Red Velvet Cake?

specificity



Or . . . Would you Just order RED?

Mosquito?



details

Or . . . Spider?









Hippopotamus?

O&M Plans

Details

- Who
- What
- When
- Where
- Why
- How
- Other information to provide clarity

O&M Manuals

the plans should be an outline for compliance.

They should either say what you do

or,

 You should do what they say
Either way you will be in compliance with your own procedures

O&M Manuals

Example:

There are two types of full encirclement sleeves.

- Type A is nonpressure-containing
- Type B is pressure-containing

Note: Dresser-style reinforcement sleeves, weldovers, pumpkins, and possum bellies are also pressure-containing sleeves used in special-case repairs. Consult with the appropriate supervisor for their application

O&M Manuals

Only the right combination of specificity and detail will provide what we essentials to achieve these goals and give us the compliance we want and need.

Specificity & Detail

- Other things that add specificity, detail and clarity
 - Flowcharts, Drawings and photos
 - Tables
 - Definitions
 - References to DOT codes





Specificity & Detail -Drawings



Specificity & Detail - Drawings



Specificity & Detail -Tables

Table 1 - Repair Methods for Manufacturing Type Defects

Manufacturing Defect Type			Sleeve Type		Use Filler Material w/Sleeve	Rep by Re
			"A"	"B"		
		Yes	Yes	No	-1-	
In Seam Weld Not Leaking	DSAW	Undercut	Yes	Yes	No	-+-
		Incomplete Fusion	Yes	Yes	No	-+
		Incomplete Penetration	Yes	Yes	No	
		Crack	No	Yes	No	
	ERW or Flash Weld	Upturned Fiber	No	Yes	No	
		Incomplete Fusion	No	Yes	No	-inde
		Penetrator	No	Yes	No	
		Cold Weld	No	Yes	No	1
		Crack	And the second	Yes	No	
		Seam or Lap	Yes	Ves	No	P.C.S.

Specificity & Detail -Definitions

Definitions

Assembly area – an area where the pipeline lies within 300 feet of either a building or a small, well-defined outside area (such as a playground, recreation area, outdoor theater, or other place of public assembly) that is occupied by 20 or more people for at least 5 days a week for 10 weeks in any 12-month period. Note: The days of the week need not be consecutive.

Barrier -- something that may limit expansion of development.

Dwelling -- an occupied residence (house, apartment, or residential house trailer). *Note:* Each residence in an apartment counts as an individual dwelling.

Specificity & Detail

- Other things that add specificity, detail and clarity
 - References to other Company Manuals or Plans that contain more details and specificity
 - Corrosion
 - Safety
 - Measurement
 - Design

• Example:

"The incident needs to be reported to the pipeline controller." *Rewritten.*

The first employee having knowledge of the emergency and/or arriving on the emergency scene will report incident information within 15 min. of notification and/or arriving at the site, to the pipeline control center by telephone or company radio.

General Emergency Responsibilities

General emergency responsibilities involve:

- First Employee Having Knowledge of Emergency and/or Arriving on Emergency Scene
- Appropriate Supervisors
- Area Manager or His/Her designee
- Pipeline Control Center
- Houston Operations Department
- Reporting and Documenting

First Employee Having Knowledge of Emergency and/or Arriving on Emergency Scene

Initial Action - When an employee is notified of a gas pipeline leak, break, or emergency situation that requires prompt and effective response, the employee should obtain the following information:

- Name of person finding or reporting the leak or emergency situation.
- Telephone number and location where this person can be contacted.
 - Severity of leak, break, or emergency.

the a known reference

Tips to Recognize the Passive Voice

KEY WORDS

- Be
- Is
- Are
- A
- Was

- Were
- Has been
- Have been
- Will be
- Being

• Example:

Extensive training on the new safety procedures is required to be attended by the maintenance staff.

Rewritten.

The entire maintenance staff is required to attend extensive training on the new safety procedures from 8 -11 a.m. next Monday in the Welding Shop.

Correct the following five sentences to practice changing passive to active voice.

- 1. Hunger was what Bill felt.
- 2. Reading is enjoyed by Mary.
- 3. The town was destroyed by fire.
- 4. Funny is what clowns are.
- 5. Cheese was liked by Sara.

Hunger was what Bill felt.

Bill felt hungry. (*Bill* is the subject, *felt* is the action)

Reading is enjoyed by Mary.

Mary enjoys reading (*Mary* is the subject, *enjoys* is the action)

The town was destroyed by fire.

Fire destroyed the town (*Fire* is the subject, *destroyed* is the action)

Funny is what clowns are.

Clowns are funny (*Clowns* is the subject, *funny* is the action)

Cheese was liked by Sara.

Sara likes cheese (*Sara* is the subject, *likes* is the action)

Specificity & Detail

Problems can occur with operators who fall back on specifics in their OQ Plan to avoid the specifics in their O&M.

Specificity & Detail

- Although OQ Plans have specifics, they are frequently not available onsite for verification by inspection personnel during O&M activity inspections or emergencies;
 - hence the need for a certain level of specificity and detail in the O&M and Emergency plan procedures

O&M Plans

Remember in the end,
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