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Environmental Management Systems

Every company with environmental regulatory obligations has a management system—some sort of work process dedicated to compliance. ELG attorneys have worked with a range of companies to evaluate current compliance systems, establish new or more effective systems, and audit mature systems.

We understand that an effective management system is not simply a “cut-and-paste” job. The purpose of a management system is to achieve desired outcomes, not to just look good on a shelf or check a box. We know how to work with companies to integrate environmental management into day-to-day operations in a way that achieves results.

FOLLOWING ARE SOME SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF OUR RECENT WORK IN THIS AREA:

- » Evaluating management systems—Assisting with understanding and mapping current work processes in order to improve current compliance-related work flow
- » Developing specific management system tools—Helping create policies, procedures, and job aids to accomplish specific compliance tasks
- » Auditing systems—Supervising system audits, examining the effectiveness of management systems and evaluating system gaps
- » Specific compliance programs—Establishing internal guidance and training to implement new programs or meet new compliance obligations
- » Troubleshooting compliance gaps—Evaluating specific compliance problems to find and fix gaps in processes or

tools

- » Field integration of compliance systems—Helping facilitate programs, tools, and training to ensure front-line employees understand the role they play in compliance and execute their jobs accordingly
- » System fixes in response to incidents—In the wake of compliance events, helping undertake evaluations to determine the root cause of a given event and implement system-based corrective actions
- » Project review processes—Helping companies create effective systems, procedures, and guidance to review facility changes for permitting and regulatory applicability



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