



United Kingdom Petroleum Industry Association

UKPIA Process Safety Leadership Commitment

As Members and Associates of UKPIA, we recognise the critical importance of Process Safety for all operators in the downstream and midstream oil sectors.

Our commitment is to strive to protect people and the environment and we recognise that process safety leadership is an integral part of this commitment.

To facilitate our sector's leadership in process safety excellence we subscribe to principles of the Process Safety Leadership Group (PSLG):

- Clear and positive process safety leadership is at the core of managing a major hazard business and is vital to ensure that risks are effectively managed;
- Process safety leadership requires board level involvement and competence. For companies with boards located outside the UK then the responsibility to show this leadership rests with the most senior UK managers;
- Good process safety management does not happen by chance and requires constant active engagement;
- Board level visibility and promotion of process safety leadership is essential to set a positive safety culture throughout the organisation;
- Engagement of the workforce is needed in the promotion and achievement of good process safety management;
- Monitoring process safety performance based on both leading and lagging indicators is central to ensuring business risks are being effectively managed;
- Publication of process safety performance information provides important public assurance about the management of risks by an organisation; and
- Sharing best practice across industry sectors, and learning and implementing lessons from relevant incidents in other organisations, are important to maintain the currency of corporate knowledge and competence.

To help achieve these principles, we further commit to participation in the UKPIA Assuring Safety strategy



Using available resources to identify potential areas of improvement and develop strategies to address these. Promoting the mechanisms which encourage continuous and positive two way exchange between management and workforce on safety related issues and initiatives.



Advancing dialogue of process safety practices by communicating with other industry sectors. As appropriate sharing lessons from relevant high level incidents and good practice.



Analysing industries performance and targeting specific areas of process safety by commissioning the development of tools and guidance where relevant.

