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Sorry it has been a while since our last newsletter, we have a few things to catch up on!

In this edition of our newsletter we want to share the following information with you:

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- ISO/TS 16949 – Automotive Management System
- National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD) Member information
- ISO 9001 Based Quality Management System update
- Responsible Care - Proposed changes
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With these e-news communications, you'll find current information regarding the status of the various ISO based Standards and links where you can gain greater insight and knowledge on the subjects you're most interested.

We are also interested in using the e-news tool to provide others the opportunity to provide tips, feedback or information they wish to share. To do so, simply e-mail your information to our webmaster@eaglegroupusa.com and we'll see if we can insert it into future e-news updates.

We hope we can continue to communicate with you in this format, but if not, please indicate at the bottom of the page your desire to be removed from our distribution and we'll promptly remove your name.

OHSAS 18001 – Occupational Health and Safety Management System Standard

In July of this year the OHSAS 18001: 2007 version of this Health and Safety Management System was released. The Standard (it is no longer considered a specification) is now meshed with the ISO 14001 Environmental Standard for ease of use and has adopted many key components of the ANSI/AIHA Z10–2005 American National Standard — Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems.

Please contact client services if you are interested in this Management System.

ISO/TS 16949 – Automotive Management System

Assessment System Documents - Since our last publication announcing the release of CQI9 Special Process: Heat Treat System Assessment the AIAG have released two more assessment documents CQI-12: Special Process: Coating System Assessment and CQI-11: Special Process: Plating System Assessment. These documents, if applicable to your

business, are often addressed in your customers Customer-Specific Requirements (such as the GM CSR) and are binding on your organization.

Customer Specific Requirements

Are you currently registered to ISO /TS 16949? Have you provided your suppliers with your Customer-Specific Requirements yet? Well the AIAG has provided the following guidance instructions to address that critical task.

http://www.aiag.org/staticcontent/files/CSRDevelopment_Final.pdf

National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD) Member information

To date Eagle Group USA has worked with over 50 sites on their Responsible Distribution ProcessSM Verifications and have discovered a number of excellent Distributors in the process (see below). However reoccurring themes that we have found with a minority of distributors are inadequacies with the RDP Codes X through XII dealing with Internal Audits, Corrective Actions and Document Control. Typical issues that should be addressed within your Responsible Distribution ProcessSM are:

Internal Audits – Organizations not auditing the implementation of policies and procedures supporting the RDP Code of Management Practice, rather they are considering audits of their suppliers/public warehouses as an internal audit. Another common problem is an organization not auditing their complete RDP system each year.

Corrective and Preventive Actions – A number of organizations are only using this powerful tool when Internal Audit deficiencies are found, the intention is to address all appropriate situations where we deviate from our policies and procedures.

Document and Data Control – Although the electronic stored and utilized data was left out of the RDPV Protocol questionnaire, this part of the Code must also be addressed within the organization. Another common deficiency is the failure to maintain a Master Document List or equivalent system which shows the revision levels of the policies and procedures that make up your RDP system.

If you need help understanding these requirements, do not hesitate to contact us.

Pride Solvents & Chemical Co., of NJ, Inc., Receives NACD's Annual Responsible Distribution Process Excellence Award

Pride Solvents & Chemical Co., of NJ, Inc., Avenel, NJ, is the recipient of NACD's 2007 Responsible Distribution Process Excellence Award, the National Association of Chemical Distributors announced.

Pride Solvents & Chemical Co., Inc., a long-time member of NACD, was recognized by NACD for demonstrating outstanding performance of its Responsible Distribution Process (RDP) program during its on-site third-party verification in June. Art Dhom, Jr., President of Pride Solvents & Chemical Co., Inc., was present to receive the award. The award was presented by Doug Kutz, Chair of NACD's Responsible Distribution Process Committee, and Bruce L. Whetter, President of Americhem Sales Corporation and the 2006 Award winner, during NACD's annual Operations Seminar and Trade Show in Nashville, TN.

"The RDP Committee is proud to recognize Pride Solvents as the second recipient of this award," RDP Committee Chair Doug Kutz said. "Art and his team at Pride Solvents not only have established themselves as high achievers, they have been and continue to be terrific ambassadors for the RDP program."

Linden Warehouse and Distribution Co., Inc. (NJ) was recognized as the only Affiliate member to be nominated for the award. Other nominees, Chem One Ltd. (TX) and PVS-Nolwood Chemicals, Inc. (MI), were recognized during the ceremony. This year was the second year in which NACD presented the RDP Excellence Award. The RDP Committee intends to recognize a member company each year to encourage continued excellence among NACD members in their commitment to the Responsible Distribution Process.

ISO 9001 Based Quality Management Systems

ISO 9001:2000 is currently undergoing a revision and is expected to be released as ISO 9001:2008 in the fall of next year. The changes being anticipated are minimal in nature and will not require the paradigm shift or massive rewrites of documentation that many organizations underwent when they released the 2000 version.

With the release of ISO 9001:2008 we anticipate AS9100 (Aerospace Standard) and ISO/TS 16949 (Automotive Standard) to be released shortly thereafter.

Responsible Care[®]

In July the American Chemistry Council's (ACC) issued their final recommendations on changes to RC14001 and the Responsible Care Management System Specifications. Recommended changes are also being expanded to the ACC's Guiding Principles. The new specifications should be available for the 2008 through 2011 round of registration audits.

For more information on these recommendations please visit the ACC site at http://www.responsiblecaretoolkit.com/pdfs/SRB_October_2006.pdf.

Compliance Auditing

As part of our efforts to meet all of your Management Systems needs we have added compliance auditing to the services provided by Eagle Group USA.

Environmental Compliance Auditing - To help you in your "commitment to compliance" for maintaining an Environmental Management System (such as ISO 14001, RC14001 and Responsible Care Management System[®]) we can help by conducting your periodic evaluations of your compliance system (ISO 14001 4.5.2.1). Audit Results are reported per ASTM E 2107 Standard Practice for Environmental Regulatory Compliance Audits.

Occupational Health and Safety Compliance Auditing - To help you to maintain Proactive measures of performance that monitor compliance with "applicable legislation and regulatory requirements" for maintaining an OH&S Management System (such as OHSAS 18001, ANSI/AIHA Z10, RC14001 and Responsible Care Management System[®]) we can help by conducting your periodic evaluations of your compliance system (OHSAS 18001 4.5.2). Audit Results are reported per ASTM E 2107 Standard Practice for Environmental Regulatory Compliance Audits (Note there isn't a standard for OH&S reporting so we use the environmental format).

Quality Management System Compliance Auditing - To help you in your "commitment to compliance" for maintaining a Quality Management System (ISO 9001 5.1 a, such as ISO 9001, ISO/TS 16949 and TL 9000) we can help by conducting your periodic evaluations of your compliance system (Such as complying with DOT and OSHA requirements).

Audit Results are reported per ASTM E 2107 Standard Practice for Environmental Regulatory Compliance Audits.

Note: One of the anticipated changes to the ISO 9001 to be released in 2008 is additional requirements addressing the Quality related Regulatory requirements.

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