

# Environmental Management Systems

Bringing an organization's environmental concerns under control.



**Companies that aspire to total quality recognize that environmental impacts need to be managed effectively and integrated with strategic business planning.**

## **Approach to EMS Development and Implementation**

Too many environmental management systems sit on a shelf or are a paperwork burden providing no real benefits. Even systems certified to ISO 14001 may not realize tangible benefits if poorly designed and implemented.

ERM's Environmental Management Systems (EMS) team in China has extensive experience in the preparation and implementation of practical and cost-effective systems that are designed to achieve real benefits and real cost savings.

We help organizations understand their current environmental status and produce effective solutions for delivering environmental management objectives. Above all, our goal is to help clients create programs that grow the people and productivity driving their organization, not the volume of paper.

ERM in China achieves this by applying an approach to EMS development that includes:

- A close teaming arrangement with the client to leverage in-house knowledge ensures a practical system is developed and maximizes site ownership of the system.
- Use of existing systems (formal and informal) to minimize change.
- Planning and staging the system's development and implementation to gain immediate results.
- Optional integration of environmental, OH&S and quality systems to achieve consistency and minimize paperwork and procedures.
- Integration of these systems with operational maintenance systems to ensure the environment, OH&S and quality are parts of everyday business.
- This approach can be applied flexibly to take an existing EMS and other systems from any initial condition to their desired end-point, including ISO 14001 certification.

## **Our EMS consulting services:**

- Initial Environmental Assessment
- Gap Analysis
- Planning and Documentation
- Staff Training
- Pre-audit
- System Maintenance

### **Ensuring Successful ISO 14001 Certification**

ERM has been involved in drafting international environmental, health and safety standards, including BS 8800, ISO 14001, BS 7750 and EMAS. We have the capability and experience to develop and implement environmental, health and safety management systems that conform to the highest international standards for our clients. ERM China's EMS Team members are also trained ISO 14001 certifiers.

We can therefore not only provide expert advice on EMS development, but are also aware of what the certification bodies will look for during an ISO 14001 certification assessment. This expertise maximizes the opportunity for an EMS to be ISO 14001 certified the first time.

### **EHSMS Services**

Since the publication of OHSAS 18001 standards in 1999, ERM in China has built up an experienced EHSMS team to provide integrated environmental, health and safety management systems (EHSMS) services. Our consultants have extensive EHS experience with multinational companies and are all OSHA trained by the US Department of Labor. ERM China is one of the first international companies providing integrated ISO 14001/OHSAS 18001 consulting services in China.

### **ERM provides tailored services**

Our quality management system obtained BSI's ISO 9001 certification in 1997. All projects are under strict management based on BS EN ISO 9001 requirements and are delivered within the budget and time framework. We promise to establish partnerships with our clients, and to regard these relationships as the major criteria by which we judge our success.

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