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*... to satisfy concerns by stakeholders, shareholders, investors and community... assisting in fulfilling regulatory requirements, local and federal...*

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## BRS



## ISO 14001 is...

The International Environmental Management System Standard (EMS) is a benchmark to objectively demonstrates that the organization is environmentally conscious, responsible, and seeks to improve environmental performance. To seek environmental performance on the basis of sound and effective practices and methods. The environmental management system standard, benchmark ISO 14001, may be combined with other benchmarks such as ISO 9001, ISO 13485, ISO 22000, HACCP MS and other Industry generally accepted (e.g. Responsible Care, OHSAS



18001...and legal obligation 29 CFR 1910) providing the basis for an integral management system (IMS).

### Drivers for ISO 14001 Certification...

... addressing requirements invoked by regulatory entities, requirements invoked by clients, and to satisfy concerns by stakeholders, shareholders, investors and community are integral to the objectives of ISO 14001 – the EMS ISO 14000 series of International Standard is under the control of the ISO

Working Group— Technical Committee 207.

It is important to recognize that many industry sector benchmark and invoke ISO 14001. ISO 14001 Certification – Registration is achieved when sections and clauses 1.0 through 4.6 are met.

Implementation and registration to ISO 14001 is understood and effectively underway globally.

## BRS and ISO 14001...

BRS is an international certification body providing management systems registration services, which includes ISO 14001. BRS, through its exclusive Professionals, which have participated with the ISO 14001 Standard since inception

and international promotion in 1996 through 1999. BRS progressively brings to client-organizations global recognition through accredited certification. Our presence includes Asia, Asia Pacific, Europe, Euro Asia, Latin America, with central

base of operations in the USA. As an international certification body, BRS maintains involvement with Technical Committee 207 and relevant emerging standards assisting in the reduction of risks as well regulatory compliance.

# What does BRS offers...



**(1)... Early Assessment** – early in the implementation process we can assist by identifying and ascertaining that the ISO 14001 requirements are already covered and that these are adequate and compatible with those of the organization. This can be supported through communications in answering “what”, not “how”.

**(2) Phase I – Planning and Strategic Review, entry into the certification protocol** – is an assess-

ment of your environmental management system with BRS and your staff members to review implementation and to facilitate planning for registration assessment, Phase II, et all adequacy of the EMS.

**(3) The Registration Assessment Phase II** is to assess the adequacy and effectiveness of the eco-management system against ISO 14001. Upon recommendation of BRS exclusive assessment team through a written report.

**(5) Surveillance Assessments** – these are schedule visits with the intent to verify the ongoing effectiveness of the eco-management system implementation, after registration, and

effectiveness in improving environmental performance.

## **(6) IMS, Integrated Management System Assessment -**

“IMS” assessments can be scheduled to best coordinate logistics and efforts taking advantage of the synergy that exists between ISO 14001, ISO 22000, ISO 13485, and ISO 9001 or variants of ISO 9001 such as TS 16949, AS9100, and others including OHSAS 18001 or ILO-OSH for Occupational Health and Safety. Integrated Management Systems (IMS) assessments typically require less assessment days than the individual times of exclusive system assessments.

## **BRS Network of Assessors are qualified for ISO 14001 Assessments**

BRS assessors are exclusive professionals members of the BRS network (with 6+ years within the BRS network) and these professionals are qualified and competent to carryout ISO 14001 assessments. And they are totally objective, posses actual management system experience. In addition, they meet BRS stringent requirements, under the Americas, Asia, Asia Pacific, and Europe BRS accreditation system.

Our global team carries experience in legal obligations and regulatory requirements such as Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, CERCLA, EO 13045, NEPA, NWPA, PPA, RECRA, SDWA and others that the EPA Administrators.

## *Integrity Counts...*

**As an accredited registrar**, BRS cannot engage in consulting, nevertheless we will provide answers to expectations from an assessment team and we will make every effort to help you understand ISO 14001 and its applicability to your organization on whether there is conformance or does not meet the intent and requirements under which we are bearer and signatory to a legally binding Charter to the protection of communities and consumers.

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## How long does an EMS ISO14001 Assessment take?

The assessment days depend on a number of factors, including: risks, role of the product and services in the supply chains, size and complexity of the business, and legal applicability. The main factor is the nature of its products, environmental aspects, organization activities, and scope of the eco-management system, as we are ISO/IEC 17021 accredited and adhere to the European

Union EA 7/02 requirements invoked to Registration Bodies. The duration may extend if the organization requires to include Occupational Health and Safety be within the scope of the assessment. Requires additional time when invoking Sarbanes Oxley, ISO 9001, ISO 13485, OSHMS OHSAS 18001, ISO 22000, HACCP MS and others.

When more than one

site is involved, each site has to be considered within the overall planning. These may include administrative and operational sites, wherein the administrative site may have less effect over the eco-management system. BRS also considers risks, nature of the products and activities and its effect over communities and proximities to other environments. Please inquire within BRS, for specifics.



*In benchmarking EMS ISO 14001, we consider risk, the nature of the products and activities effect over communities, consumers and impact to other stakeholders*

## A Word On Regulatory Compliance...

ISO 14001 evaluation it is not a "vertical" regulatory compliance assessment, it is a horizontally focused management systems assessment. This "horizontal" management system assessment verifies effective implementation as well that the EMS propitiates for updates and enhance environmental

performance. In contrast, regulatory inspections are (vertical inspections) on specifically whether the organization fulfills specific regulatory requirements. And regulatory requirements are included within the eco-management assessments but are not the focal point, and judgments that need docu-

mented relevant to regulatory compliance status need to carry Due Care. And may combine a Phase I, II and III Environmental Assessments as a vertically integrated verification evaluation on legal obligations.

We encourage our EMS professionals to carry EAA recognition.



*Benchmark EMS ISO 14001 it is not a "vertical" regulatory compliance assessment. EMS is a (horizontal) management systems assessment. This "horizontal" management system assessment verifies that the eco-management system implementation is effective with sound fundamentals that propitiate environmental improvements.*

## Registration...Certification

BRS successful registration to ISO 14001 demonstrates to stakeholders that your organization has successfully implemented and sustains best-practices in eco-management principles and methods. And when opted to include other benchmarks

integral to the assessment process, separate certificates are issued (or an "IMS" certificate may be possible), in response and to addressing ISO 19011 and ISO/IEC 17021.

IMS, Integrated Management System pro-

vides and advantage in cost and fusing the management system as one. These may be coordinated to include organizations already TS 16949, ISO 9001, ISO 13485, AS9100, and other globally accepted specifications.

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