

# Safety System Oversight Program Update

FTCP Meeting January 26-27, 2009

## **SSO Standard**

Six Drafts of the Safety System Oversight (SSO) Standard were circulated in the SSO community for comment and input.

Notable changes:

- The Steering Committee Charter will be a standalone document, posted on the SSO web site
- The Steering Committee membership has been through several changes. The current list is intended to provide wide representation of stakeholders while keeping the number manageable.
- The SSO program will have a Program Manager at Headquarters analogous to the Facility Representatives Program Manager. The SSO community feels this is important to provide visibility and cross-cutting coordination.
- Improvements to the self-assessment criteria for SSO programs.
- Improvements throughout in organization and language.

## **SSO Meeting**

The SSO Community will meet in Las Vegas the week of May 11 in conjunction with the Facility Representatives Workshop. At the invitation of the SSO group, the Energy Facilities Contractors Group (EFCOG) Engineering Practices Working Group (EPWOG) solicited interest from their membership, and about 50 people from the Cognizant System Engineer community will also attend. There may also be some cross-attendance with the EFCOG Safety Analysis Working Group meeting, also in Las Vegas that week.

Meeting events are still in development. Several topics have been suggested:

- How do sites implement Standard 1189 into on-going projects that didn't originally conform to the Standard?
- Training on Standard 1189, particularly in coordination with the Safety Analysis Working Group meeting in Las Vegas
- INPO presentation on commercial site system oversight, with details of how it is implemented
- NRC presentation on their safety system assessments

## **Upcoming**

Several people committed to providing some more input to the Standard during the last SSO Teleconference on January 15, , but the long Inauguration Week holiday, travel, and other commitments have delayed this task. We expect to be able to get the Standard into Standards REVCOM by February 20.

The SSO Functional Area Qualification Standard (FAQS) is the next big task. Pat Casey, who developed the original draft FAQS, is supporting HS-20 and will likely be able to help with its development.