

UNIV. OF HAWAII MARINE CTR SQ MANAGEMENT SYSTEM MANUAL

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1.1 Safety and Quality Policy

The University of Hawaii Marine Center has traditionally recognized the obligation to conduct our affairs as a constructive corporate member of society. We

- ◆ Are committed to maintain and operate our oceanographic research vessels safely and efficiently and to provide a safe and healthy working environment aboard all oceanographic research vessels under our management;
- ◆ Are committed to continually improve the effectiveness of our SQ Management System, the skills of our personnel, including preparing for emergencies, through the establishment of safe guards against identified risks;
- ◆ Maintain all safety, lifesaving, fire fighting and pollution equipment at least to applicable international and statutory requirements;
- ◆ Are committed to comply with all applicable national and international safety and pollution prevention laws and regulations regarding air, water, and the environment in general; and any other requirements to which we subscribe;
- ◆ Are committed to the prevention of pollution from spillage and discharge of oil, disposal of garbage or any toxic substance, or through emissions to the atmosphere at a minimum;
- ◆ Communicate this policy to all personnel within our organization and support them in their efforts to adhere to the documented procedures.

It is our policy to provide quality marine research support services and to be responsive to the needs of our customer, the scientific marine researcher, and there by ensure customer satisfaction. All of our customer commitments and delivered services are recognized as expressions of safety and quality. We are committed to monitor our performance as an on-going activity to meet or exceed our customer's expectations. Through management review, we assess the adequacy, effectiveness, and suitability of our SQ Management System, including our stated policy and associated objectives, to ensure that these goals are met.

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1.2 General

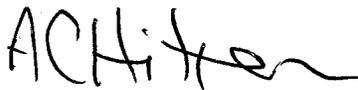
Questions regarding the safety and Quality Management System, whether internal or external, are directed to our Designated Person (DP). Routine operational matters are routed through the Port Operations Manager.

UHMC policy statements are posted in the UHMC facilities and onboard our vessels to act as a continual reminder of our commitment to customer satisfaction and safety. We ensure that all personnel understand the policy through orientation for new employees and annual company meetings.

Our entire management system is predicated upon the precepts of these policies and all other documentation has been developed to support them. These policies provide the frameworks for setting objectives and targets by which we measure our continual improvement within the management system.

Our policy is available to the public by writing the UH Marine Center in care of the Designated Person, by visiting our offices, vessels, or on our website.

Management welcomes input from interested parties and all of our employees regarding ways to improve our performance whether it is through safety or quality.



Alan Hilton
Marine Superintendent

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Date