Pipeline OQ – the costs of Non-Compliance

When it comes to the associated costs of pipeline incidents, adherence to safety standards and federal regulations is a no-brainer. PHMSA’s final Operator Qualification (OQ) Rule of 1999 paved the way for operators to improve safety records by putting responsibility on Operators to develop OQ plans. This required them to qualify their personnel, including their contractor personnel, on tasks that could affect the safety and integrity of pipelines.

But the demand on Operators to manage the qualification of hundreds of contractors, thousands of workers, as well as their own internal personnel presented additional layers of risk. To mitigate this, Operators have utilized the assistance of qualified, independent third parties, such as eWebOQ, to evaluate their contractor and internal personnel.

Why eWebOQ?

Since 2000, eWebOQ® has provided Fortune 500 companies and other oil and gas leaders with online training, records management, and reporting to help fulfill the requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (PHMSA’s) Operator Qualification Rule, including qualification of pipeline personnel performing Covered Tasks.

Operators shouldn’t assume all the risk of developing programs from scratch when eWebOQ has helped hundreds of organizations satisfy key elements of their successful OQ programs. It all begins with our mapping of Operator Covered Tasks directly to today’s most widely recognized standards: ASME B31Q and API RP 1161. Our ASME evaluation forms incorporate criteria licensed directly from ASME, PHMSA’s recognized Consensus Standard. By building upon recognized Standards requirements, Operators can directly incorporate their own company and task-specific procedures. We offer a simple and easy way to map Operators’ Covered Task lists with our comprehensive courses and evaluations. By matching our library 1:1 with ASME and API, Operators save time and effort searching for the appropriate course.

Comprehensive Curriculum

We are continually adding training in response to Operator requirements and to ensure Operators, Contractors, and Crews have access to the most relevant and up-to-date training available. And ALL eWebOQ content is thoroughly vetted by industry Subject Matter Experts.

Additionally, eWebOQ can house, deliver, assign, and track virtually any existing training content of the Operator’s including site or equipment-specific procedures. With our team of instructional designers, eWebOQ can work with Operators to design specialized content on any topic.

$9,238,415,891 - the cost of 5,712 pipeline incidents to public and private industry since 1999 (PHMSA)

Fatalities: 291
Injuries: 1,297
Authorized Evaluator Program

In 2018 more than $500K of NOPVs (Notice of Probable Violations) were due to individuals not being evaluated competently or at all on task skills.

There is no question the industry needs effective and knowledgeable Evaluators. They are the last line of defense to usher a qualified versus unqualified individual to the job site.

eWebOQ Authorized Evaluators are trained, competent, dependable, trustworthy, educated and rigorously vetted. Our Evaluators are only authorized to perform evaluations on the tasks in which they have demonstrated competency. eWebOQ determines competency through rigorous vetting on the front end, and performance evaluations on the back end. We implement the most stringent evaluator auditing program in the industry so you can be confident eWebOQ evaluations are performed fairly and consistently.

Avetta + eWebOQ = Operator Ecosystem

As part of Avetta, an industry-leading Supply Chain Risk Management company, eWebOQ now operates in a much broader risk and compliance ecosystem.

With 450+ clients, more than 95,000 suppliers, and a presence in 120 different countries, Avetta brings unmatched access and visibility to our clients’ supply chain risk management process. Through Avetta’s innovative and configurable technology, coupled with highly experienced human knowledge and progressive insight, eWebOQ is now more than just an Operator Qualification provider, but rather your partner for worker training and compliance across the board.

Easily assign courses, training, certification requirements, and compliance tasks for your workers using eWebOQ and Avetta’s Worker Management solution. Monitor task completions and employee profiles from a single, easy-to-use platform. Don’t worry about understanding every component that drives the engine. Avetta + eWebOQ gives you the keys. We’ll make sure it drives the way you need it to.

Avoid the costs of Non-Compliance. Start driving a risk-free road with Avetta + eWebOQ.

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