

Case Study -IndustrySafe Safety Software –J.M. Huber Corporation

The Company

Huber Engineered Materials, Huber Engineered Woods, and CP Kelco are part of the J.M. Huber Corporation, a family-owned business established in 1883. With over \$2 billion revenue, J.M. Huber Corporation is a diversified, multinational supplier of engineered materials, natural resources and technology-based services to customers spanning many industries.

Huber Engineered Woods LLC (HEW) is a recognized leader in creating specialty wood composites for residential construction and industrial applications. HEW is focused on providing high quality, branded products including AdvanTech® flooring, sheathing and rimboard; ZIP System wall® sheathing and ZIP System roof™ sheathing; and several specialty original equipment manufacturing (OEM) products for millwork and transportation industries. HEW products provide innovative solutions and enhancements through better performance, weatherability and ease of installation.

CP Kelco is a leading global producer of specialty hydrocolloids with more than 2,000 customers in over 100 countries, and facilities in North America, Europe, Asia and Latin America. With an extensive range of specialty hydrocolloid solutions, CP Kelco serves a wide variety of applications, including food, pharmaceutical, oral care, personal care, household and consumer, specialty industrial and oil field drilling. CP Kelco has leading positions in pectin, carboxymethyl cellulose (CMC) and refined carrageenan, and is one of the world's largest producers of xanthan gum, gellan gum, welan gum and diutan. CP Kelco was acquired by J.M. Huber Corporation in September 2004 and in 2005 combined with Huber's Noviant business (acquired in 2001).

Huber Engineered Materials is a division of J.M. Huber Corporation that markets silica and silicate grades; calcium carbonates; alumina trihydrate (ATH) and magnesium hydroxide (MDH) grades; magnesium hydroxide; and barium sulfate.

The Challenge

The operations of J.M. Huber are diversified both in terms of line of business and in geographic locations with multiple locations in various countries.

Steve Ledford, Manager of Global Environmental Health and Safety at J.M. Huber recognized the need for an easy to use web based software that would allow multiple locations and business groups to track their incident, corrective actions, and inspection data.

The Solution

IndustrySafe Safety Management Software allows J.M. Huber to enter, track, and analyze data from multiple operating locations throughout world. Front-line supervisors enter incidents as they occur and key safety and risk management personnel are automatically notified via e-mail in real-time of these incidents. Incidents involving employee injuries, non-employee injuries, environmental spills, and property are tracked with IndustrySafe.



Safety Management Software

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Corrective actions and actions requiring follow up are entered into the IndustrySafe Software with approximately 100 new action items entered every month. Supervisors and employees can be notified when they are assigned corrective actions as well as reminder notifications for corrective action due dates.

J.M. Huber can view key safety performance incident metrics at a glance with the IndustrySafe Dashboard module including indicators for incidents, inspections, and corrective actions, such as the percent of corrective actions completed on time.

The Results

Mr. Ledford initially implemented IndustrySafe Safety Software at Huber Engineered Woods and then assisted in implementing IndustrySafe to other Huber companies including Huber Engineered Materials and CP Kelco. He explains, "IndustrySafe Safety Software is a great solution to track safety data that has been able to expand with us as we implement the software throughout the organization." He continues, "IndustrySafe's cost effective pricing structure has allowed us to expand throughout J.M. Huber without financial difficulty. IndustrySafe has now become the go to tool to use for reporting and reviewing key safety metrics."

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