

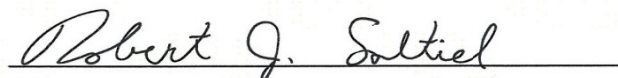
HEALTH, SAFETY & ENVIRONMENT POLICY

Atwood Oceanics will take all appropriate measures to protect the safety, health and welfare of all personnel who work at, visit, or are otherwise affected by company operations. Furthermore, Atwood Oceanics will act at all times in a manner that is both socially responsible and protective of the environment.

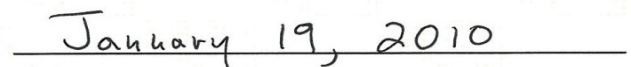
In making this commitment, the company will:

- Provide and maintain a safe workplace and safe work equipment based on hazard identification and management of risk at a level that is as low as is reasonably practicable
- Prevent pollution and minimize other adverse effects by analysis and control of the significant environmental aspects of its business
- Conduct its activities in accordance with applicable regulations and other requirements in each area of operations, and where such requirements are deemed insufficient, adopt higher internal standards
- Ensure appropriate security measures are in place for all work sites and for personnel while traveling on company business
- Train and otherwise develop our employees and others as appropriate, to perform their jobs in a safe and environmentally sound manner
- Support an employee or other individual's obligation to 'stop the job' without fear of repercussion if he or she considers any task to be unsafe or inadequately controlled
- Involve employees in the planning, development and review of matters pertaining to their personal health and safety, while holding everyone accountable for their HSE obligations
- Develop, implement and maintain contingency plans designed to prevent emergencies, or limit adverse consequences
- Strive for continual improvement by setting objectives and targets, measuring and auditing results, and seeking ways to further the aims of this policy
- Expect the same commitment for an incident-free workplace from our clients, sub-contractors and business partners
- Communicate this policy and make available information regarding its implementation to all employees, clients and other interested parties

This policy and the supporting HSE Management System are subject to periodic review by Atwood Oceanics' senior management to ensure they remain appropriate to the need, and that sufficient resources are applied to achieve the stated intent. Any changes to the policy or the arrangements for its implementation will be communicated to all concerned.



Robert J. Saltiel
President and Chief Executive Officer


Date