



SAFETY DATA SHEETS (SDS) MANAGEMENT FOR AN IMAGING COMPANY

ComplianceXL provides
MSDS/SDS sourcing and
data indexing for a
US based imaging company

About the Client

The Client is a renowned manufacturer of photography and imaging products. A global leader in imaging innovation, they offer services to a wide range of industries such as medical and life sciences, electronic, chemical, graphic arts, information systems, motion picture, broadcast and photography. Over the last 80 years, the Client has proved its supremacy in providing advanced products and solutions that have redefined imaging for the end user.



Business Need

The Client had a three-fold requirement:

- a) On account of revisions made by Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), the Client was required to upgrade their existing MSDS documents to the new SDS, OSHA Form 174. Further, it was essential that the Client upgrade their documents since other countries including the European Union had adopted the SDS laws to comply with the Global Harmonized System (GHS).
- b) A new line of chemical products was slated to be released by the Client in the European market. This required the relevant SDS documents to be sourced from the suppliers.
- c) The Client had a portfolio of more than 2000 chemical categories, the documents of which were spread across geographies. The requirement was to bring together the documents from different sources and ensure that they are updated and collated into a consolidated repository.



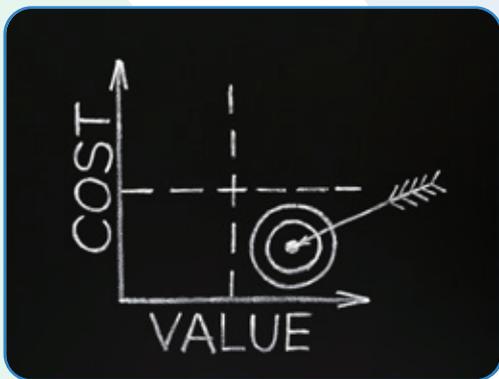
Why ComplianceXL?

ComplianceXL had previously worked on an Environmental Compliance Project for a division of the Client's organization. The Client required assistance on environmental compliance (RoHS and REACH) before the division could launch its products in the European market. ComplianceXL's timely and competent support at this crucial hour played an important role in making the project a runaway success. Thus, when there was a requirement for maintaining safety data sheets for the organization, ComplianceXL was the preferred choice.

The Solution

ComplianceXL put in place a team of compliance specialists to update Client documentation as per regulations. The team worked towards sourcing, SDS indexing, mapping and hazard evaluation. ComplianceXL's expertise in the chemical industry helped the team perform a flawless hazard evaluation for the Client.

In addition, the team at ComplianceXL collated MSDS updates from various sources including suppliers. The pre-defined critical attributes were first extracted and analysed. The supporting documents were then formatted as per norms, before being uploaded onto the Client's SDS Management System, WERCS ©. The solution offered by ComplianceXL made data management an effective and rapid process for the Client. As an ongoing project, ComplianceXL continues to support the Client in its complex task of maintaining safety data sheets, including updates to the existing sheet as well as supporting entry of any new material SDS.



Benefits

Prior experience in compliance data management projects helped the team at ComplianceXL to accurately understand the Client's business problem. The process of data management for GHS was completely handled by ComplianceXL, thus ensuring that all documents and data were organized and managed as per the new specifications.

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Conclusion

ComplianceXL handled the Client's SDS data management project with diligence and competence. The team's knowledge, skill and expertise helped ComplianceXL address Client requirements, thereby setting the foundation for a long-term relationship. ComplianceXL continues to partner with the Client on the SDS management project with the team size having expanded to handle a broader level of support to the Client.



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