

In October 2013, TSI learned from a European allied association that the European Marine Safety Agency (EMSA) was in the process of publishing a document combining molten and solid sulphur, inconsistent with existing regulations. After information exchanges with TSI staff, EMSA agreed to defer publishing this document until TSI had an opportunity to review and address inaccurate information.

Assessment

- TSI shares concerns with its Transportation, Regulation and Logistics Working Group and forms a Rail Tank Car Task Group (RTCTG).

Development

- RTCTG identifies issues, investigates options, and begins resolving potential safety exposures. Leading practices are shared during discussions in RTCTG forum.

Distribution

- General guidance document is developed, distributed, and promoted. Additional documents detail leading practices of and for members.

Value to Member

- Access to leading practices for improving safety and handling procedures at operating facilities.
- Participation in discovery and development of leading practices to improve safety and handling procedures at operating facilities.
- Improved molten sulphur rail tank car condition and logistics, while reducing potential for citations and fines.

Value to Industry

- Access to general guidance for improving safety and handling procedures at operating facilities.
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