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Personal Information

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Career Summary

Presently I am working as the Lead QEHS Advisor for Major Projects with Powecomm. Powercomm is focused on High and Medium Voltage Electrical Engineering solutions up to 400kV. Powercomm Group manages all associated works including, sub-station design, contestable build, procurement, installation and commissioning, which is highly regulated. Powercomm is presently involved as PSCS/Principal Contractor on a number of BESS projects throughout Ireland for ESB and other clients with high levels of regulation and compliance from ESB and third-party bodies such as the EPA, as a number of the sites are on EPA licenced sites. As PSCS I work with partners such as ESB, Microsoft, ABO, etc to deliver the highest standard when it comes to health, safety and environmental standards.

At the core of my responsibilities is the delivering the required documentation in the lead up to the projects for planning, ESB and the EPA. These documents include CSH&SP's, Environmental Management Plan's, Waste Management Plans, Emergency Response Plans, Traffic Management Plans and any other site-specific documents that are required. These responsibilities include the application of audits across the projects, as well as taking the lead on investigations where there have been incidents as well as issues that have been raised from various sources. My other responsibilities include the completion and reviews of safety statements, method statements (SOP's), risk assessments, relevant reports and training as well as ensuring that statutory obligations in all areas pertaining to health, safety and welfare at work are met. I am responsible for the induction for new staff members in relation to health and safety, environmental compliance and emergency procedures as well as ensuring that they meet the strict training criteria.

As part of my duties, I ensure compliance for our various standards, including IOS 14001, ISO 45000, Safety T Cert, Achilles, etc. I coordinate and implement our standards compliance through all of the relevant stages and promote and ensure compliance through the company.

As stated detailed report writing is also a central part of my role, especially at the start of a new project, these include Safety Plans, Environmental Plans, Traffic Management Plans, Waste Management Plans and many others. Liaising with clients and regulators is vital when writing reports so as to ensure that the correct information is recorded on any report written.

I also worked as Senior EHS Advisor with Actavo, in the highly regulated department of networks utilities as part of the SIRO project as well as assisting with other projects. I over saw personnel involved in training, and coordination of the various aspects related to the Environmental and

Occupational Health and Safety of the SIRO project. The SIRO project is as an amalgamation of ESB and Vodaphone to deliver fibre using the ESB network. We work under MESC's (Minimum Electrical Safety Controls), as laid out by ESB.

Achievements/Professional Membership

- Paper Published-"An evaluation of airborne contaminants in restrooms"- The Third International Malaysia-Ireland symposium on Engineering, Science and Business 2012.
- First in year-Thesis-Water Management-with the title "An Evaluation of long-term community-based flood risk Management in an Irish town-using the town of Ballinasloe, Co Galway as a case study".
- Graduate Member of the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH).

Education

- 2012-2014 MSc (First Class Honours), Environmental Health and Safety Management- AIT Athlone, Department of Life and Physical Science.
- 2010-2012 BSc, EHS Management- AIT Athlone, Department of Life and Physical Science.
- 1996-1999 Higher National Diploma, Agronomy and European Studies, University of the West of England, Bristol, UK.

Training

- Trained Auditor/Lead Auditor in ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001. Qualified Auditor/Lead Auditor in planning, conducting, reporting, and following up an audit, in accordance with ISO 19011:2011; ISO/IEC 17021:2011 and ISO/IEC TR 17022:2012 by interpreting the requirements of ISO 14001/18001.
- Qualified Manual Handling Instructor
- CSCS Signal, Lighting and Guarding (SLG) training
- CSCS Location of Underground Services training (LUGS) training
- Mental health first aider 3rd edition
- First Aid Response Training (3 day)
- ROSPA Occupational Advanced Driving Tester (RoADTest)
- Certificate in Portable Appliance Testing
- Certificate in ARC Flash Risk Management

Work History

Lead QEHS Advisor Major Projects-Powercomm-Clane Business Park, Unit A5, College Rd, Clane, Co. Kildare, W91 EF10-October 2020-Present Day.

- Develop, monitor, implement and audit Health and Safety procedures/policies in business
- Update and maintain Health and Safety procedures and the Organisation's Safety Statement in compliance with Regulatory requirements
- Prepare documentation in the process of tendering for work, especially concerning EHS matters.
- Carry out risk assessments and ensure risks are reduced
- Keep record of incidents and accidents and produce statistics for senior management
- Keep up to date on new legislation and maintain a working knowledge of all Health and Safety Authority (HSA) legislation and any developments effecting the Industry
- Provide Training; Induction, Refresher and Manual Handling Training as required
- Represent the Company during outside Agency Audits/Inspections and liaise as required with the Health & Safety Authority
- Co-Ordinate the Health and Safety committee for all sites and ensure regular monthly meetings
- Improve the health and safety culture, through training and awareness campaigns
- Oversee site set up under role of PSCS and ensure all statutory and client requirements are met and enacted.
- Write reports on Health and Safety, Environmental, Waste Management, Traffic Management, Invasive Species, etc when required.
- Implement ISO Standards IOS 14001, ISO 45000, Safety T Cert, Achilles.
- Launch annual safety campaigns within the company and beyond promoting Health, Safety and Environment under differing topics.

Senior EHS Advisor-Actavo- Westland House, Willow Road, Off Nangor Road, Park West, Dublin 12-May 2018-October 2020

- Ensure EHS management systems for the SIRO/NBI project are implemented and maintained
- Provide advice and training in all EHS matters to management, safety representatives and employees
- Provide leadership and coordination of the day-to-day HSE requirements of the projects
- Attend and provide input at Site meetings, recommend constructive actions towards continuous improvement and development.
- Overseeing the day to day work schedule and agenda for SIRO/NBI EHS trainer and coordinator.
- Carry out audits, inspections & incident investigation reports, establishes corrective and preventive actions to prevent reoccurrence and continuous improvements
- Prepare EHS Plans, RAMS, SOP's and other associated site documents such as written instructions of work methods outlining potential hazards and precautions, and ensure they are complied with.

- Ensure compliance to requirements as part of first, second and third-party auditing from external bodies such as ISO and Achilles, clients and suppliers.
- To highlight areas where training/certification is required to meet the standards imposed by legislation, approved codes of practice, client's requirements, etc.
- Ensure accident and near miss reporting procedures are understood and complied with and assist with accident investigations where appropriate.
- Ensure all employees and sub-contractors are suitably trained/competent to carry out the prescribed task and that the necessary licenses/certificates of competence are in force and appropriate.
- Ensure that all new employees in the company are provided with a copy of the policy statement, SOP's, environmental plan, etc, receive such induction training as may be laid down in procedures, and are issued with personal protective equipment as required.
- To bring new techniques for improving health, safety and welfare to the attention of the director responsible for health and safety.
- Set a personal example with regard to health and safety matters.
- Always looking to improve behavioural change within any project I am involved, with positive development a must on an ongoing basis.

Health and Safety Manager-Redlough Landscapes-Hollystown, Dublin 15. November 2017-May 2018.

- Ensure a safe workplace environment without risk to health.
- Ensure the Company meets its statutory obligations in all areas pertaining to health, safety and welfare at work, including statutory training and reporting.
- Ensure the completion and regular review of risk assessments for all work equipment and operations.
- Ensure that all accidents are documented, investigated and recommended improvements implemented.
- Ensure that safety inspections are carried out, fire drills, risk assessments and lone working procedures are managed and employees are aware of their responsibilities.
- Complete method statements.
- Carry out safety presentations when required.
- Co-ordinate the development of health & safety policies, systems of work and procedures.
- Ensure full and accurate health and safety and training records are maintained.
- Establish a full programme of documented health & safety inspections, audits and checks.
- Establish a structured programme of health & safety training throughout the Company.
- Liaise with external health & safety consultants in the provision of training programmes and health and safety services.

- Manage and devise the agenda for, chair and formulate & distribute minutes for the Health & Safety committee meetings.
- Ensure that all agreed action points are completed within deadlines.
- Keep up to date with all aspects of relevant health, safety & welfare at work legislation and communicate relevant changes to the business.
- Provide regular reports to the Human Resources Manager, Board of Directors/Senior Management Team on relevant health and safety activities.
- Participate in monthly meetings when required to report on relevant health & safety matters.
- Liaise with suppliers i.e. Insurers, solicitors etc
- Any other reasonable duties which may be required by management from time to time

Course Manager/EHS Manager - Birr Golf Club - Birr, County Offaly. August 2005- November 2017

- 10 years' experience in promotion and compliance of Safety, Health and Environmental standards for 8 staff and 400 members
- The completion of relevant reports as well co-ordinating meetings and training
- The preparation of Safety Statements, Risk Assessments and other relevant documents
- Ensuring Environmental compliance and Developing Environmental programs
- Preparation and Management of annual budgets
- Liaising with various committees
- Staff Management
- Staff Supervision and Training
- Drafting of policy and procedures and experience of ISO 14001
- Co-ordination of audits relating to Health and Safety, Environmental and Emergency procedures etc.
- Drafting and implementing staff rotas
- Carrying out fire drills and fire prevention measures for house and work sheds
- Liaise with relevant professionals, consultants and experts as required

Development Officer- Concrowood –Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan, July 2004-July 2005

- Preparing all fundraising plans and ensure compliance to all company strategies
- Develop and maintain professional relationship with all stakeholders involved with the project such as architects, contractors, planners, banking institutions and accounting firms.
- Co-ordinate weekly/monthly meetings between various development and sub committees.
- Monitoring of all development events and activities and ensuring effective and appropriate implementation and providing assistance to all volunteers.
- The preparation of development reports, examining objectives, analysing trends and providing necessary recommendations.
- Ensuring compliance to all budgets for the various programs

Ass. Course Manager/Acting Course Manager – Limerick County Golf Club- Limerick. Oct 2002- June 2004

- Preparation of staff rotas.
- Preparing and supervising staff training programs.
- Completion of relevant reports for management.
- The preparation of daily, weekly, monthly and annual work schedules and reports.
- Supervising the day to day running of the club
- Complying with relevant legislation such as Environmental and Safety and Health.

First Assistant – Doonbeg Golf Club, Doonbeg, County Clare. Feb 1999- Sept 2002

- Working as part of a team during the construction phase as part of the development of Doonbeg Golf Club.
- Supervising various teams of workers tasked with various construction projects
- Participated in the induction and training of new staff as well as continuing training for experienced staff
- Assisted in the preparation of new work schedules.