

# HSSE Toolbox Talk

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## REVISION TO HSSE POLICY PR-1 CONFINED SPACE ENTRY, AND PR-2 HOT WORK



HSSE Policies PR-1, Confined Space Entry, and PR-2, Hot Work, have been revised to reflect the following key changes. The revision becomes effective July 28, 2008.

### **PR-1 Confined Space Entry**

1. **BP Job Representative Responsibility for Ventilation Plan** – Clarifies that BP Job Rep is responsible to verify the ventilation plan (if required) has been properly executed.
2. **Fire Chief Delegation** – Allows a delegate of the Fire Chief to be fulfill the responsibilities of the Fire Chief such as reviewing rescue plans and approving waivers of retrieval lines and/or mechanical retrieval devices.
3. **Chemical Injection Systems in Cooling Towers** – Clarifies that the chemical injection system must remain active for continued control of biological growth in the operating cooling tower cell(s). If entry is made to a non-operating cell while other cells are operating, then periodic monitoring of the water during entry should be considered to ensure neutral pH levels are being maintained. If pH levels of the water in the cooling tower change significantly the entry should be suspended until the conditions are addressed.
4. **Non-positive isolation approval** – Clarifies minimum controls on CSE permit to require the positive isolation unless higher approval is granted for non-positive isolation.

### **PR-2 Hot Work**

1. **Requirements For Gas Testing in Office Buildings, Control Rooms, and Work Outside the Refinery Perimeter – New**
  - a. A gas test is not required when issuing hot work permits for work at the ESB, GOB, HSB, NOB, and control rooms with a functioning pressurization system. A gas test is also not required for work outside the refinery perimeter on non-process equipment. If work is within 35 feet of BP or third party process equipment, a gas test is still required.
2. **Reinstatement of “Gas Test Required” Category for Electrically Classified Equipment** – Restored the “Gas Test Required” category to the electrically classified equipment in Attachment A. Revised the following to reflect change.
  - a. Electrical or Battery Powered Test / Inspection Equipment Hot Work Hazard Assessment Guideline in Attachment A and
  - b. Hot Work – Electrically Classified Equipment (PR-2A)

For more information, the revised HSSE policies will be posted shortly at <https://wss2.bp.com/TexasCity/Safety/default.aspx> or contact your HSSE Department.