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Accident Investigation Policy

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1 Accident Investigation Policy

1.1 Incident Reporting and Investigation

This policy should be read in conjunction with Sizewell C (SZC) Health & Safety policy and other associated policies and standards.

The SZC Harbour Authority is fully aligned with the Sizewell C Project Zero Harm vision with a total focus on the prevention of injury and harm to people working or operating within its area of responsibility. Any incident or event that does occur however will be investigated in line with the SZC procedure, to ensure actions are identified and actioned and so that learning is captured, shared and embedded, with a view to preventing a recurrence.

The principal requirement of a marine incident investigation is to determine the probable causes and contributing factors, so that measures can be put in place to ensure known risks are controlled and managed so far as is reasonably practicable.

A just and fair culture will also be applied to all incidents to ensure that where personal culpability might be a factor an appropriate level of response is applied. Further if an offence has been committed then SZC Harbour Authority will submit a report to the appropriate authorities and will also seek to enforce its own regulations.

1.2 Other Agencies

The SZC Harbour Authority will co-operate with all other agencies including the police, Maritime and Coastguard Agency and Marine Accident Investigation branch. The SZC Harbour Authority will endeavour to assist with investigations undertaken by external agencies as required. When the circumstances of the incident dictate, the SZC Harbour Authority will seek advice and assistance from other agencies.


1.3 Investigations to Determine Cause

When investigating to determine cause, the IMO Casualty Investigation Code (resolution MSC.255 (84) adoption of the Code of the International Standards and recommended Practices for a Safety Investigation into a Marine Casualty or Marine Incident) will be used as guidance.

The results of the investigation will be used to update (where relevant) associated navigational risk assessment hazard(s).

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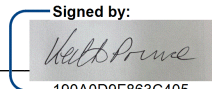
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