Siemens, Mitsubishi Joint Venture Finds Success With VelocityEHS

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With thirteen facilities across the country, Primetals Technologies — a joint venture of Siemens and Mitsubishi — is a leading provider of metals industry processing equipment and solutions. It supplies everything from consulting services to engineering steel rolling facilities and arc furnaces, to maintaining service facilities and equipment. Originally a part of Siemens, Primetals had relied on VelocityEHS, to manage their library of SDSs for several years. They made sure that relationship continued when they entered this new cooperative venture.

Gregory Doerr is head of EHS management at Primetals.

"Siemens had already been using VelocityEHS Chemical Management for safety data sheet management," explains Mr. Doerr. "When we were going through our transition in 2014, we knew we wanted to stick with VelocityEHS. We had a few people who had been directly involved in using VelocityEHS Chemical Management,

and they all said: 'Whatever we do, we gotta keep this!' We have multiple locations across the U.S. with about 1,400 employees. We have nearly 1,000 SDSs total. That's a big number! But with VelocityEHS, everything went smoothly with our transition process. We were able to coordinate it all."

Primetals has also found value in exploring the deeper functionality of VelocityEHS Chemical Management.

Explains Mr. Doerr: "We've started using the label-making function, which is extremely user friendly. Our company also has a strong commitment to sustainability as part of EHS, so we're always on the lookout for ways of reducing our environmental footprint. We found we can use VelocityEHS to help us research chemical products that are similar and determine which ones are more sustainable. That's really exciting."

During their transition, Primetals was also looking for ways to more easily and effectively manage other EHS related tasks, such as OSHA reportables.

Mr. Doerr was pleased to discover that VelocityEHS has a suite of tools addressing a broader range EHS challenges.

"I started talking with our contact about better options for managing our OSHA reportables and recordables," says Mr. Doerr. "She was very knowledgeable, and let me know that there indeed were features and capabilities for just what we were looking to do. We gave these features a try, and they worked great. We've been really happy. The incident management module is a big help, especially. And although we haven't used it yet, we have also looked into the collection of on-demand trainings."

Mr. Doerr also says he finds the Primetals relationship with VelocityEHS a good overall value.



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"I think VelocityEHS Chemical Management is priced reasonably for what we pay as a mid-sized company. It's definitely something we can handle. Frankly, I've been impressed. Considering what we get, the price is very good."

As Primetals continues to grow and evolve, it remains confident that its partnership with VelocityEHS will continue to position it to effectively manage chemical hazards and everevolving compliance requirements over multiple locations and jurisdictions.

Concludes Mr. Doerr: "They've given us a lot more confidence in our ability to manage safety data sheets, and everything else EHS related that we need to do!"



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