



Statement of OHSAS certificates in China

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Dear All.

Recently you may get several requests to ask us to update the status of EHS certificates of all the factories in China. Therefore, I would like to inform you about the status here so that everybody can know the details.

As you know, we have certified OHSAS18001:2007 for all factories in China. The certificates were uploaded on we-share. Anytime you can find active certificates by clicking [here](#).

However, you can see the OHSAS certificates are only valid until May 16, 2020, but cannot find the updated ones when they are expired. The reason is that we planned to certify ISO45001:2018 to replace OHSAS 18001:2007 in the beginning of 2020. Unfortunately, just at this time, the global coronavirus pandemic happened, so the certification organization had to postpone their re-certification audits 6 months later according to IAF ID3 rule (IAF: International Accreditation Forum). Based on this situation, we have to put off the ISO45001 certification until the certification audit is completed. Until then, we will not have active OHSAS18001/ISO45001 certificates.

According to current situation of coronavirus epidemic, ISO45001 certification audits can be conducted at around October this year. We can get new ISO45001:2018 certificates after that to fill the gap in the OHSAS18001 certificates. During this time, we will continually maintain Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems in all factories as usual. As always, the health and safety of our employees is in the first priority in our operation.

Extract:

IAF ID3 Management of Extraordinary Events or Circumstances Affecting ABs, CABs and Certified Organizations.

c) Recertification Audits.

Normally the recertification audit must be completed and the recertification decision made prior to expiration to avoid loss of certification (ISO/IEC 17021:2011, 9.1.1.2). However, providing that sufficient evidence has been collected as above, to provide confidence that the certified management system is effective consideration may be given to extend the certification for a period not normally exceeding 6 months beyond the original expiry date.

I hope this declaration can help you when you get requests to update OHSAS certificates. If you need any help, please feel free to let me know. Thanks.

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