

ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY

SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT

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TO : All Business Units Of Dubai World, Their Clients , Green Building Consultants, Architectural & Engineering consultants, Contractors and relevant stakeholders

SUBJECT : EHS Commences voluntary Certification for Existing Buildings

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Wish you all a very happy 2013

Trakhees-EHS (Environment, Health and Safety), the regulatory arm of PCFC -Ports, Customs and Free Zone Corporation is pleased to announce the commencement of “In- house” Certification for the existing buildings (VOLUNTARY). This initiative is on the back of feedback from stakeholders suggesting a framework / platform for acknowledging the energy savings and sustainability efforts on their existing facilities.

Sustainability of existing buildings many a times referred to as Energy Efficiency Improvement Program (EEIP) / greening of the existing buildings etc. is optional and hence is not binding on any owner, developer or client. Should they choose to carry out sustainability works for their facilities on their own, a platform is now made available to showcase their project savings and seek authentication of such works in the form of certification.

This platform besides certification of the existing buildings would help clients showcase their projects and gain visibility to the community through formal listing in EHS portal.

Existing buildings are considered to have enormous potential for energy and water savings, emission reductions and a great tool for addressing climate change. It would not be an exaggeration to address this sector as holding the key for future sustainability of the built environment (Residential, commercial, Retail, industrial and institutional). It not only brings immediate and measurable benefits to the owners but helps the environment in the larger perspective.

The certification procedure can be downloaded from the website www.ehss.ae. The link is <http://www.ehss.ae/forms/ehs-gbp-14,clientprocedureforgreenbuildingcertification-existingbuildingsrev00.pdf>.

This procedure becomes effective with immediate effect and is applicable to those clients who opt to undertake sustainability measures to their existing facilities on a voluntary basis.

EHS-Trakhees is committed to providing quality regulatory services to our business units and clients in protecting the environment, human health and safety. As always, we look forward to your cooperation, support and a very successful working relationship.

Should you have any queries, please feel free to approach the Green Buildings department or contact us at EHS.GreenBuilding@trakhees.ae

Regards,

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Encl: Announcement Slides

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**EHS Commences
In-House Certification
for
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This Initiative is to provide the clients with an opportunity to formally register and get their greening initiative authenticated and showcased.

Trakhees-EHS, the Regulatory arm of PCFC & DW jurisdiction is pleased to inform its Clients and Business units that they can now seek **EHS certification** for their **Existing Buildings Initiative** on **VOLUNTARY BASIS**.

What it means to the Facility Owners ?

- Greening of Existing Buildings / facilities continues to remain Voluntary
- Clients intending to greening their existing facilities can register it with EHS (voluntary)
- Clients that have successfully implemented and reaped benefits can apply to EHS for Certifying the project.(Voluntary)
- Opportunity to showcase the CERTIFIED project through EHS portal
- Opportunity to present the success stories in similar events organized by EHS

The choice rests with the clients....

For additional Information please contact EHS Sustainability Department at EHS.GreenBuilding@trakhees.ae