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1.0 Purpose

• The purpose of this procedure is to:

❖ Define the requirements for Stage-I & Stage-II audit

Process steps and reporting

Criteria for issue of certificate of compliance and conditions

Maintain records

2.0 Scope

Applicable to all the Management systems to be certified by PEIPL

3.0 Definitions & Abbreviations

3.1 Top Management : Governing body of the organization made of CEO/Director & EC

3.2 CEO : Chief Executive Officer

3.4 PEIPL : PRIME EDGE INTERNATIONAL PRIVATE LIMITED.

3.4 CAR : Corrective Action request.

3.5 Document Review : Verify adequacy of the management system documents to the relevant

contractual standard including any exclusion. Document review will be

conducted on site along with Stage I audit or off site

Stage I : Verify the following

• Clients management system documentations

• Evaluate client's location and site-specific condition

• Verify client's preparedness for Stage II audit

• Review client status and understanding regarding the requirements of

the standard

• Collect information regarding scope, processes, statutory and

regulatory requirements, exclusions claimed etc

• Review the allocation of resources/logistics for stage II audit

• Internal audit and Management Review are planned and

performed

• Identify concerns if any in the planning of management system

Stage II : Verify the following:

• Compliance to contractual standards, documented Systems, statutory

and regulatory requirements.

• Effective implementation of the planned management systems

Management commitment

• Awareness of the system across the organization

• Acceptance of the management system for Recommendation for issue

of certificate of compliance with/without conditions or otherwise.

Follow up Audit : Follow Up audit is recommended when it is considered that on site verification is

required to verify the corrective actions for the non-conformances recorded

during any base audit. Verify the following:

• Effectiveness of the Corrective action taken for the non-conformances

identified during the base assessment.

• Revision to the system documents if any

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| 4.0 | Reference Documents: | | | | |
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| S. No. | Doc. Name | Doc. No. | Rev. No. | Rev. Dt. | Retention Period |
| 1 | Auditor Selection | PEIPL-D-06 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | Live |
| 2 | Document Review | PEIPL -D-10 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | Live |
| 4 | Stage I Audit program & Execution | PEIPL D-11 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | 5 Years |
| 5 | Stage II Audit Program & Execution | PEIPL -D-12 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | Live |
| 6 | Audit Report | PEIPL-QF-33- 44 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | 5 Years |
| 7 | Audit Plan & Schedule – Stage-01 | PEIPL-QF-31 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | 5 Years |
| | Audit Plan & Schedule – Stage-02 | PEIPL-QF-32 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | 5 Years |
| 8 | Audit Observation Sheet | PEIPL-QF-45 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | 5 Years |
| 9 | Opening / Closing Meeting Attendance Sheet | PEIPL-QF-51 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | 5 Years |
| 10 | Non-Conformity Closure Report | PEIPL-QF-46 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | 5 Years |
| 11 | Surveillance audit & NC closure | PEIPL-D-13 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | Live |
| 12 | Directory of Certified Clients | PEIPL-QF-48 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | 5 Years |
| 13 | Certificate Decision and handling | PEIPL-D-14 | 00 | 01.08.2024 | Live |

5. Procedure

- > For every client post registration and contract review an audit program is generated by technical coordinator.
- > PEIPL follows a three years certification cycle with minimum of following assessments to be covered as a part of every audit program.
 - Adequacy review
 - Stage I Audit
 - Stage II Audit
 - 2 Surveillance Audits (Once every year)
 - Re-certification (If client is retained for next cycle)
- > All Audit Plan and Schedule are approved by any member of EC or Director and reviewed by CEO on sampling basis. The audit program is communicated to the audit client and consensus is taken from them regarding the program
- ➤ Depending on the scope, Objective, criteria and EA code, number of man-days is selected for the audit client. While selecting number of days IAF Mandatory Document number is considered and as per the Procedure of Audit Time Calculation
- > Depending on the factors mentioned above Audit team is selected which includes Audit team leader and auditor. If required Technical Expert is also selected if the auditor is not technically competent.
- Document review is done by the Audit team leader to check the readiness of Management system and provide the clearance for audit plan. If auditor feels appropriate, he can club document review with stage 1.
- > Stage-1 Executed as per plan and if required follow up audit is also considered for planning.
- > Auditor initiates CAR based on findings of Stage 1 audit
- Stage-2 Executed as per plan considering following parameters: Opening Meeting Plant / Facility Tour Process wise audit Closing meeting

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- > If the system conforms to the criteria, Auditor generates the conformance part of the report and the audit kit is sent to PEIPL for review.
- > If there are no Major Non conformities during the audit, the following steps will be initiated:
 - Auditor to post recommendation for certification in the closing meeting and initiate CAR for all minor NC's.
 - Audit client initiates CA based on the findings and submits the CAR's along with supporting document to PEIPL for review
 - PEIPL auditor reviews the CAR and forwards to EC for certification decision
 - For Minor NC There should be 30 Days of Time Period for Sending the CA Report.
- > If there are Major Non conformities during the audit, the following steps will be initiated:
 - Recommend a follow up audit and request for CAR.
 - Audit client initiates CA based on the findings and submits the CAR's along with supporting document to PEIPL for review.
 - PEIPL auditor reviews the CAR and recommends clearance for follow up audit.
 - For Major NC-There Should be 90 Days of Time Period for Follow up Audit.
- > Technical Coordinator to plan for follow up audit in coordination with Audit client and Auditor and the audit kit is sent to PEIPL for review.
- > If the audit kit is complying, EC recommends for certification. Technical coordinator to courier the copies of Certificate to the client.
- > Technical Coordinator to circulate the surveillance audit plan at least seven days before the
- > EC/Director allocates auditor as per auditor selection work instruction
- > Auditor executes the audit as per audit plan and evaluates the conformance against criteria
- > If the system conforms to the criteria, Auditor generates the conformance part of the report and the audit kit is sent to PEIPL for review.
- > Technical Coordinator to plan for follow up audit in coordination with Audit client and Auditor and the audit kit is sent to PEIPL for review.
- > If the audit kit is complying, EC recommends for continuation of certification.
- ➤ Client processed for Re-Certification post two Surveillance Audits
- > If the major non conformity is not closed, Auditor to recommend Suspension and withdrawal process

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