

Special Feature

To ensure safe operation of plants

Overseas group companies: Environmental and safety & health activities



Safety comes first: Rising tide of public opinion in Korea

There have been numerous accidents and disasters at companies in Korea in recent years, and there was a serious accident at the plants of ADEKA's customers, too. There has also been a rising tide of public opinion in the country that "safety comes first," and the government has bolstered laws relating to environmental safety.

ADEKA KOREA CORP. has decided to bolster EHS activities*¹ to ensure the continuation of stable business activities and hope for the happiness of employees and their families by reconfirming the importance of safety management.

*1 EHS activities: Activities in the fields of Environment, Health and Safety.

Cultivating a corporate culture that strives in pursuit of safety

Before the company began EHS activities, around 30% of *Hiyari-hatto**² incidents were the result of carelessness, and there were hidden dangers that were like accidents waiting to happen. So the company first aimed to cultivate a corporate culture in which all employees would proactively pursue greater safety.

The employees already had a heightened awareness of safety, but the initiative further enhanced this, encouraging them to eliminate risks of accidents due to lapses in safety.

*2 *Hiyari-hatto*: Incidents that did not result in serious accidents or disasters, but may have directly led to them.

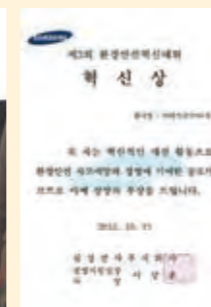
We won high appraisal from our stakeholders



Awarded the Environment Minister's prize of the Ministry of Environment (Republic of Korea)



Awarded the Innovation Prize in the Samsung Electronics Co., LTD. Safety Innovation Contest



Main examples of basic EHS activities

Activities to improve the culture of safety
Cultivating a corporate culture of pursuing safety and striving to enhance employee awareness of safety



Saying the safety slogans out loud before commencing work or meetings

Activities to redress unsafe factors
Eliminating potential causes of accidents by making improvements to unsafe areas on equipment and devices



Installing a static electricity removal sheet in front of dangerous goods warehouses to eliminate the risk of ignition accidents

Activities to improve visibility of notices
Posting of safety notices all around the plant to share awareness for safety among all employees



Displaying of wiring path and procedures on power receiver panels allowing anyone to restore power during blackouts



Holding of EHS executive meetings every week to ensure internal sharing of improvements between departments



Stairs are given slip resistant surfaces to prevent slipping, and a fence is erected along the side to prevent secondary accidents



Reflective tape is stuck on forklifts, and speed limits are imposed on them to improve their visibility while working at night

Through these activities, employees dramatically raised their awareness for the environment, health and work safety, and we have been winning high appraisal from customers who visit the company. However, there is no endpoint to our efforts to ensure safety. We will continue to strive in pursuit of safety

so that we may not only fulfill our responsibilities in supplying products, but also contribute to the realization of a society which will ensure greater prosperity and happiness for our customers, as well as stakeholders.