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CONFINED SPACES****CONTENTS**

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METHOD STATEMENT

1. SCOPE

This document has been prepared with a view to detailing and informing the customer in respect of Confined Spaces work undertaken by Reaction Group. Reaction Group performs these activities under the Approved Code Of Practice, which is a document produced by and available from the Health & Safety Executive.

2. ABOUT REACTION GROUP

Reaction Group is committed to providing a quality cost effective service to our Customers believing that our success is based on the success of our customers. We believe in an open and honest relationship and will endeavour to meet our customer requirements where practically possible.

3. THE LAW

Under UK law The Health and Safety at Work Act puts the responsibility to employers for ensuring the safety and health of their employees and the public, if these are at risk from those work activities, this includes working in confined spaces

The legislation of specific relevance to confined spaces is:

- The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974
- The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 (amended 2006)
- The Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992
- Confined Spaces Regulation 1997 & Approved Code of Practice
- Safe Work in Confined Spaces – HSE INDG258

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4 DEFINITIONS

- Level 1 risk – low risk confined spaces, for instance those which do present any foreseeable risk associated with toxic, oxygen deficient or flammable atmosphere and do not require the use of breathing apparatus or the provision of resuscitation equipment.
- Level 2 risk – medium risk confined spaces, for instance where there is no identified toxic, oxygen deficient or flammable atmosphere but where there is a possibility that the atmosphere could change and such risks could be introduced.
- Level 3 risk – high risk confined spaces, for instance where a toxic, flammable or oxygen deficient atmosphere has been identified.

5. PLANNING WORK IN A CONFINED SPACE

Unless it is only a level 1 risk, no engineers will carry out works in confined spaces unless a Site Specific Risk Assessment is carried out.

6. RISK ASSESSMENT

Reaction Group is committed to working in a safe environment for its own employees, customer employees and visitors to customer premises at the time of testing. As such specific hazards in the working environment have been identified in Reactions Risk Assessment RA-04, and can be discussed with the duty holder prior to commencement of the works.

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METHOD STATEMENT REVIEW

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This Method Statement is to assist with the process of working in confined spaces on customers sites and works in conjunction with RA-04 Confined Spaces risk assessment.

If the work activity changes or deviates from that originally envisaged, we will seek further advice and request an amended method statement.



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