S&PL PRIORITIES

Introduction

Safety & Product Leadership (S&PL) priorities identify and rank the highest-risk areas impacting member companies' products and manufacturing operations. These priorities help accomplish two goals; they help direct the S&PL department to devote resources to the appropriate topics, and they communicate to AEM's senior leadership and the AEM boards what the S&PL department believes to be the most pertinent issues to our industry.

Priority 1 – Requires elevated action and measurable deliverables

A. Engine Emissions
   i. Examples: CARB/ECCC/EPA/EU Commission; Supply Chain issues

B. Chemical Management
   i. Examples: REACH, TSCA, Full Material Disclosures, Specific chemicals of interest - PIP (3:1) & PFAS

Priority 2 – Maintain current structure and monitor developments

A. Safety Display Icons
   i. Includes icons that address safety, operational, regulatory, and other symbols for new technologies (Alternative power, batteries, charging, autonomy)

B. Alternative Power
   i. Product safety requirements around the use of alternative power train technology in nonroad equipment

C. EU Machinery Regulation
   i. Regulation is final, but AEM will monitor for future guidance documents and implementation regulations

D. Cybersecurity
   i. EU Cybersecurity Resiliency Act; Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) & CVE Numbering Authority (CAN); Future rules and risks

E. Autonomy
   i. New regulations, standards and risks associated with autonomous machines

Priority 3 – Parking lot issues and monitor for changes
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A. Sustainability Issues
   i. EPR, CBAM, Carbon Reporting, circular economy issues; This issue is very important to AEM's member companies, but most of these issues are tracked under another Council (AEM's Sustainability Council)

B. R2R Issues
   i. Monitor and report on new developments; provide subject matter expertise to AEM's advocacy team as needed.