



## **Chairman's Update**

It's been a couple of months since the last update and we have had bit to work through. We have continued to have good feedback from industry through publication of the formation and mission of the FDISC and started the process of catching up with other like-minded industry groups and associations to introduce the FDISC.

### **Industry associations**

We have completed introductory meeting with both Federated Farmers and Forest Owners Association, both are keen to work together to ensure we have correct and effective legislation and Codes of Practise in place. Both the Fuel on Farms Guide and Safety and Health in a Forest Operation Code of Practice are up for review over the next year, so it is critical we have positive and constructive input to ensure fuel delivery safety and compliance requirements are represented correctly.

### **Workshop on COP (Above Ground Fuel on Farms Guide)**

There has been excellent support for this Workshop. It was great that WorkSafe were keen to get on board. John Essex from TR/ MasterDrive has been involved as his incab/ on job training and assessment experience is critical to this guide development from a driver's prospective.

The inaugural Workshop was held on 11 October and reviewed the whole document. A number of actions have been allocated out to various members to complete. These will provide the content for a Draft FUEL ON FARMS GUIDE. The FDISC will be briefed during their November meeting.

### **Workshop Committee**

Ruth Corbett (Chairman) (South Fuels)  
Johnny Ireland (Rural Fuel)  
Sean Rooney (Allied)  
Paul Lindsay (Mckeowns)  
Paul Clampitt (McFall's)  
John Essex (TR / MasterDrive)  
Derek Foley (Farmlands)  
Noel McHardle (Worksafe)

### **VDAM**

The FDISC presented a submission on very important and significant proposed rule amendments and advocated on behalf of the sector for other substantial relaxations. Those proposals were favourably received. The rule release has been delayed and is proposed for release early next year.

### **Roadside Enforcement (Safety and intrinsically safe requirements)**

This is always a touchy subject. Rather than cover recent changes in roadside enforcement policy I recommend members refer to the circulars RTF released on this subject recently. The RTF has been tasked with contacting police to discuss some safety concerns we have with roadside enforcement.

### **Submission to Draft COP 24 (Above Ground Stationary Tanks with Integral Secondary Containment)**

Submissions were received from Rural Fuels, McKeowns and Farmlands. RTF prepared a FDISC submission from the information provided and submitted. Hopefully we will get good outcomes and an opportunity to better understand the direction this COP is taking in some areas, so I urge members to have a good look at this draft and its likely affects

### **New Members for FDISC**

McKeowns Fuel (Paul Lindsay)

### **Website**

A Fuel sector page has been set up in the RTF Website this will allow access to FSISC site. The volume of information on the page is building and undoubtedly will become fuller as we progress our projects. We welcome feedback on that information and would consider requests for additional information on it. Please let me know.

### **Next FDISC Meeting**

The next meeting will be held in Wellington on Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> of November. We have invited Tony Neilson (Test Certifier EnviroHaz) to present and provide a question and answer session.

Regards

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