

Regulatory Compliance

OPERATING AND KEEPING PACE WITH EVER-CHANGING REGULATION AND ITS IMPACT ON YOUR OPERATIONS HAS NEVER BEEN MORE CHALLENGING

30+ YEARS SERVING THE INDUSTRY

REGULATORY EXPERTISE

STRONG CHA COMPANIES BACKING

Novara GeoSolutions (Novara) has a 30+ year history and proven track record of advising companies on regulatory compliance and the auditing, development and implementation of pipeline safety compliance programs.

We partner with clients with the implementation of best practice regulatory compliance, integrity management, and safety management system solutions. This includes support for multiple group entities and complex asset operations extending across multiple states and falling under the jurisdiction and oversight of multiple regulatory agencies. The company, its regulatory compliance experts, and technologists are well-versed with both PHMSA and local state regulations, and further, they keep current regarding the impact that inspection protocols, frequently asked questions (FAQs), NTSB incident investigation reports, advisory bulletins, notices of proposed rulemaking, and enforcement guidelines may have on the operator's compliance with those regulations.

Novara provides a comprehensive scope of regulatory compliance and assurance services to ensure the operator's understanding of the federal and state regulations under which they must operate and comply; to keep pace with regulatory changes and their organizational, operational, financial and compliance impacts; with compliance program and activity management; and with audit and post inspection response assistance. The results of our services empower field and office staff, create transparency within the organization, and engage executives so they take a proactive and strategic approach to regulatory compliance.

Novara works with hazardous liquid pipelines, natural gas transmission and gathering pipelines, and natural gas distribution systems, which are all heavily regulated by USDOT's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), plus state pipeline safety organizations charged with local industry oversight responsibilities.

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Interpretation and guidance

Interpretation and guidance are offered to ensure our customers' understanding of the federal minimum standards (as well as a state's regulatory exceedance of those regulations) under which they must operate and comply with.

Compliance programs

Novara's compliance program development and implementation support for PHMSA 49 CFR § 192 & § 195 code compliance requirements includes damage prevention, emergency response, operations & maintenance, and public awareness. This also includes a compliance program review, gap analysis, and improvement recommendations as well as compliance auditing in preparation for both integrated and program specific federal and state inspection.

Integrity management programs

Novara offers integrity management program development (and update) for hazardous liquid pipelines, gas transmission and gathering pipelines, distribution systems, and natural gas underground storage facilities.

ANALYSIS AND CLASSIFICATION OF COMPLEX SYSTEM ASSETS — AT THE UPSTREAM, MIDSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM — FOR JURISDICTIONAL APPLICABILITY.

Post regulatory inspection support

Novara provides post regulatory inspection support to help reconcile program and/or procedural deficiencies (violations) and follow-on agency response.

Safety management systems assessments

Novara offers safety management systems assessment (gap analysis of policies, processes, procedures and practices), guidance and implementation support in alignment with the guidelines expressed within API RP 1173.

Management of Change (MOC) program

Novara's Management of Change (MOC) program development and implementation support helps to ensure that safety, health and environmental risks are controlled when a company makes changes in their pipeline system assets, documentation, personnel, or operating programs and procedures.

BENEFITS

- > Strong backing from our parent company, CHA Consulting, Inc.
- > Regulatory compliance assurance
- > Effective, efficient, and cost reducing solutions
- > Best practice integrity management support
- > Trusted in a variety of industries

CALL US TO TODAY TO LEARN HOW YOU CAN IMPROVE YOUR REGULATORY COMPLIANCE!