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The Importance of Electrostatic Hazard Analysis in Process Safety



In the realm of industrial process safety, static electricity is a deceptively simple phenomenon that can lead to devastating consequences. While general hazard analysis methods such as HAZOP (Hazard and Operability Studies), What-if, and Fault Tree Analyses are essential pre-start-up, they often do not provide sufficient detail for the elimination of electrostatic hazards. Electrostatic hazards require **specialized expertise** and **separate analysis** to ensure comprehensive risk management - expertise that is typically not available within processing or indeed within generalist process safety consulting companies.

This article emphasizes the importance of using specialist on-site electrostatic knowledge by examining a case history that highlights potential gaps in traditional hazard assessments. We believe these gaps can best be filled with **specialist electrostatic hazard analysis and additional training for staff on this specific subject.**

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