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**To: All NSI Gold Approved Companies and Applicants for Gold Approval Against
BS EN ISO 9001**

Dear Colleague

ISO 9001:2015 UPDATE

May has come round quickly and before we know where we are the new BS EN ISO 9001:2015 and BS EN ISO 14001:2015 will be published – still scheduled for September 2015. We are waiting for the final draft international standard (FDIS) to be released which is likely to be in July. Please note the change from BS OHSAS 18001 to ISO BS EN 45001 will happen in late 2016.

Although we only have the last draft international standard (DIS) to work on here are some tips for early preparation:-

- Review your current approach; spring clean where appropriate
- Engage the top management of the business; many of the proposed changes will impact them. Leaders need to understand the issues they must manage and those they can delegate
- Review your approach to identification, management and control of your processes
- Think about how you can adopt and benefit from 'risk based thinking'
- If you have certification to more than one management system standard remember EMS and OHSAS are changing as well (EMS in September 2015; OHSAS in 2016); would you benefit from integrating the management systems?
- Read the introduction section of the DIS. It has some valuable guidance on the concepts (Process Approach; Plan-Do-Check-Act Cycle and Risk Based Thinking) in the new standard; these are likely to be retained in some form in the final version.

We will be sending out more information to help you manage the changes throughout the coming weeks. You can also attend one of our ISO9001 transition training seminars. The first two are fully subscribed but there is still availability for June and July. Visit the NSI website for more information or call Maxine Dent on 01628 764831

Yours sincerely



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