



NCRA verifies compliance - online and on demand.

The Challenge

The National Cooperative Refinery Association (NCRA) was driven to find a solution that could centrally manage and standardize data and tasks – all while optimizing environmental performance.

The Solution

The Enviance System, available on demand, offers the most functionality in one low-maintenance and cost effective solution.

The Benefits

- Easy internal audits
- Remote accessibility
- Seamless system updates
- Efficiency and time savings
- Performance improvement

“We needed a REAL solution to an ever increasing amount of EH&S tasks and data management. The Enviance System was the obvious selection as it provided a cost-effective, flexible, robust, secure, multi-functional management tool in a user-friendly, resource-free package.”

Brian Powers, Environmental Engineer

NCRA refines, transports, and stores crude oil and petroleum in the North Central region of the United States. The organization deals with everything from trucking crude oil to the refinery, to transporting the product to underground storage via pipelines. With so many operations and compliance requirements, NCRA was looking for a system that could centralize all environmental compliance data – without taxing IT resources or their budget.

NCRA measured different systems against four specific goals:

- Maximum functionality with minimum learning curve
- Maximum versatility and functionality
- Minimum maintenance burden
- Minimum cost with maximum value

The Enviance System is selected.

The open architecture and flexibility of the Enviance solution allowed NCRA to track a variety of environmental requirements without having to make extensive changes to its work processes. The System provided extra functionality through document management and compliance calendar capabilities without the need to purchase additional modules, like other solutions.

Processes were improved during implementation.

NCRA took advantage of the implementation period to internally audit its waste program for improved work processes. The project was completed on scope, on time, and under budget - a rare claim for an environmental management information system (EMIS) implementation.

The Enviance System helped NCRA organize, standardize, and consolidate all EH&S reporting and compliance verification information, including:

- ▶ Environmental equipment inventory tracking and maintenance
- ▶ Air emissions inventory
- ▶ Permit compliance certification, including the refinery's Title V operating permit and other permits
- ▶ National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) compliance and tracking, including the Refinery and Benzene NESHAPs
- ▶ New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) compliance and tracking, including petroleum refinery wastewater systems
- ▶ Release reporting and tracking for the Emergency Preparedness and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), and CERCLA
- ▶ Injection Well
- ▶ NPDES and storm water tracking, monitoring, and reporting
- ▶ Hazardous and non-hazardous waste tracking and manifesting

The System is easy to maintain.

Since the System is available on demand, the need for on-site application installations or upgrades is eliminated – precluding any burden on IT resources and meeting NCRA's ease-of-maintenance criteria.

The Enviance solution also satisfied NCRA's cost management needs, requiring only a monthly licensing fee, with no additional hardware, support, or upgrade costs required. Over time, NCRA is spending less with Enviance than they would with other solutions.

NCRA saves time and resources.

Centralizing data management allowed NCRA to make environmental data available across the entire organization, thereby streamlining its work processes and reducing time spent on administrative tasks. The small environmental staff can now focus on quality-assuring the data rather than spending countless hours tracking data and generating reports – the System does it for them. The staff is now proactive, rather than reactive.

The Enviance System is the best fit for NCRA.

The Enviance System fits NCRA's needs because of its flexibility and functionality. By keeping management informed about the new System, NCRA was able to generate strong corporate backing and subsequent user commitment to the project's success. Everyone now has access to the same information, because all environmental tasks are tracked, managed, and documented in the Enviance System. All data is available online and on demand – in one easy to use solution.

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