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Introduction

There is a continuous global growth in production, storage, handling, bulk transport and use of solid biofuels especially in the form of pelletized biofuels.

The handling and storage of solid biofuels and their physical characteristics can lead to a risk for fire and/or explosion, but also health risks, for example intoxication due to exposure to carbon monoxide (CO), asphyxiation due to oxygen depletion, and allergic reactions.

There is a risk of injury or fatality associated with pellet storage so the implementation of safety measures is important. The possibility of fire and explosion incidents is a clear indicator that safety is to be prioritized, first of all for human safety but also because interruptions in energy supply will have significant consequences. The market confidence in solid biofuels as a reliable energy source will be jeopardized, and financial losses due to business interruptions could occur. Difficulty to obtain insurance coverage will also increase.

This document provides support, advice and guidance to facility owners, logistics providers, equipment suppliers/manufacturers, consultants, authorities and insurance providers to assess and mitigate risk when handling and storing solid biofuel pellets. General guidance is provided for personnel safety protection and personal precautions in accordance with generally accepted work safety requirements. As part of the determination and assessment of risks for solid biofuels, applicable quality standards and related test methods are discussed and recommendations for additional methodologies are indicated. As made of living materials, solid biofuels are subject to degradation such as ageing and moisture contamination causing variability in reactivity which requires margins in risks assessments. One shipment of solid biofuels may have substantially different physical and chemical characteristics in terms of self-heating and off-gassing than another, and therefore diligent monitoring, frequent testing and house-keeping are recommended.

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Solid biofuels — Safe handling and storage of solid biofuel pellets in commercial and industrial applications

1 Scope

This document provides principles and requirements for safe handling and storage of solid biofuels pellets in commercial and industrial applications. This document is using a risk-based approach to determine what safety measures should be considered.

Facilities with a storage capacity <100 t are covered by ISO 20023. Generally, for end-user facilities with a storage capacity of <1 000 t, ISO 20023 could also be applicable if storage principle and facility complexity is in-line with the objectives of ISO 20023.

This document covers the handling and storage process of pellets in the following applications:

— at a pellet production plant from the outlet of the cooler unit until loaded for transportation;

— at a commercial distributor from the receiving station until loaded for transportation; and

— at an industrial end-user from the receiving station until fed into the fuel preparation or combustion process.

Although unloading and loading of e.g. vessels, trains or trucks are included in the operational envelops defined above, the safety aspect of the transportation itself is beyond the scope of this document.

This document also gives specific guidance on detection and suppression systems and preparatory measures to enable safe and efficient firefighting operations. Guidance on the management of fire and explosion incidents is also specified.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 12100, *Safety of machinery — General principles for design — Risk assessment and risk reduction*

