

CASE STUDY

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 Environmental, Health and
 Safety Coordinator,
 Peerless Pump

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The global leader in fluid handling systems required a comprehensive and user-friendly approach to safety data sheet (SDS) management. Working with SiteHawk, Peerless Pump quickly realized the benefits of SiteHawk's chemical data management applications. Having SiteHawk creates the mechanism for getting up-to-date SDS versions providing access to critical chemical information to all employees.

THE COMPANY

As part of the Grundfos Group of Companies, Peerless Pump is a global leader in fluid handling systems. Based in Indianapolis, Indiana, Peerless Pump has manufacturing facilities throughout North America and offices around the world. Serving the pump industry for more than 86 years, Peerless serves many markets including fire protection, municipal, commercial and agriculture.



THE CHALLENGE

Maintaining updated manufacturer SDSs and controlling the chemical approval process was a big challenge for Peerless Pump. The company wanted to instill a regimented approach to managing SDSs, provide employees access to crucial "right-to-understand" information, and govern the material approval process. Consequently, Peerless Pump turned to SiteHawk to provide a system for SDS management, chemical control and chemical approval.

THE SOLUTION

Initially, Peerless Pump conducted an audit to identify, inventory and classify on-site chemicals. Next Peerless Pump deployed SiteHawk across multiple shop floor computers throughout the main manufacturing facility. These kiosks include chemical labeling stations where employees can create workplace labels with chemical hazard information from the SiteHawk system. Additionally, the company provides access via the "Inside Peerless" intranet for fully company access to SDSs, chemical availability, risk hazards, PPE requirements, and a full range of critical chemical information.

After quickly realizing the benefits of SiteHawk's applications in the main facility, Peerless Pump expanded the roll-out to the remaining facilities throughout the United States. "SiteHawk provides a huge time savings compared to the traditional approach to managing SDSs," according to Tom Waltermann, Environmental, Health and Safety Coordinator at Peerless Pump. "Furthermore, I've not worked with too many companies that can compare with SiteHawk's high-level of customer service."