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Einführung flexibler Prüfintervalle

Wettbewerbsfähigkeit der Industrie stärken



Die produzierende Industrie in Deutschland steht unter großen Wettbewerbsdruck. Daher gilt es, in Zeiten knapper Kassen nach Wegen zu suchen, wie die Rahmenbedingungen im internationalen Vergleich verbessert werden können. Ein Ansatz dafür ist die Einführung flexibler Prüfintervalle. Aufbauend auf den Erfahrungen in anderen EU-Ländern schlägt Shell vor, dass als Alternative zum aktuellen zeitbasierten Inspektionssystem, ein kontrolliertes und flexibles Inspektionssystem (sog. Flexible Prüfintervalle, international auch Risk-Based Inspection bzw. kurz: RBI genannt) als wählbare Alternative zugelassen wird. Hierdurch würde eine effizientere Kontrolle der Industrieanlagen in Betrieben ermöglicht, ohne dabei die Betriebssicherheit zu gefährden. Dies kann mit dazu beitragen, die Wettbewerbsfähigkeit der Industrie in Deutschland zu stärken und damit Wettbewerbsnachteile im internationalen Vergleich zu verringern.

Gezielte und fokussierte Inspektionen, die an die Prozessbedingungen angepasst sind, tragen ferner zum Klimaschutz bei, da sie Energie einsparen und Emissionen und Müll reduzieren. Die flexiblen Inspektionssysteme gehen dabei in keiner Weise Kompromisse bei der Betriebssicherheit ein und haben sich in anderen Shell-Anlagen, wie beispielsweise Shell Chemicals Park Moerdijk in den Niederlanden bewährt. Die Konzepte für flexible Inspektionen sind etabliert und integraler Bestandteil der Gesetze und regulatorischen Rahmenbedingungen in anderen Mitgliedsstaaten der Europäischen Union, wie den Niederlanden, Österreich, Frankreich und Italien. Flexible Prüfintervalle sind der Standard für die Sicherung der Anlagenintegrität auf der ganzen Welt (bspw. USA, Australien, Singapur, Schweiz).

Shell setzt sich dafür ein, dass die Betriebssicherheitsverordnung (BetrSichV) sowie nachfolgend das Überwachungspflichtige Anlagen Gesetz (ÜAnlG) dahingehend geöffnet werden, flexible Prüfintervalle als anerkannte Modelle in industriellen Betrieben und Inspektionen zu etablieren und als wählbare Alternative zuzulassen.

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