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PRESS RELEASE

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'EPIC Awarding Body Limited is accredited to award the revised HSE NVQs for the Extractives Industry'

EPIC Awarding Body Limited is pleased to announce that it has received accreditation from the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority (QCA Regulatory Body) to award the revised **Health Safety and Environmental Management in the Extractive and Minerals Processing Industries NVQs at levels 3, 4 & 5.**

The amendments have made the standard applicable to managerial staff in all extractive industry sites removing the restriction to quarries required by the previous standards. These standards are those specifically designed by the industry, for the industry, to help meet the requirements of the Quarries Regulations 1999 for those in managerial positions to demonstrate competence.

The evidence requirements have also been expanded to accommodate those candidates operating in e.g. wharfs; railheads and depots to ensure they are afforded sufficient range of opportunities from which to gather their evidence.

The revised NVQs will be available through EPIC Awarding Body Limited Approved Centres from **1st April 2005.**

The standards are available upon request from the EPIC Awarding Body office, tel 01727 838840 and are available to download from our website www.epicawardingbody.com

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