

## **Corporate Social Responsibility**



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## Outline

- Broad scope of social responsibility
- Canadian industry perspectives on social responsibility (SR) and ISO 26000
- Imperial Oil approach to CSR
- Imperial Oil illustrations



## **ISO 26000 – SR Core Content**

- Organizational governance
- Environment
- Human rights
- Labour practices
- Fair operating practices
- Consumer issues
- Community involvement/society development



## **Industry Perspectives - CSR**

- Wide variation in understanding what SR means
  - Early stage in understanding, depth is limited
  - Interest in continuing to learn
- View SR as a shared responsibility
  - Businesses, governments, NGOs all have duty to act responsibly
- Wide variation to which organizations have:
  - Integrated SR concepts into policies/processes
  - Actions being taken



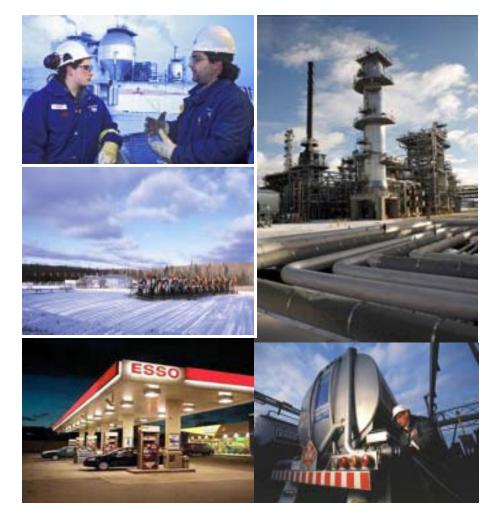
## **Industry Perspectives – ISO 26000**

- Operating in a responsible manner applies to all organizations
- Reinforce compliance with country laws, legal commitments and governance requirements
- Remain as a 'guidance standard'; provide flexibility in use
- Integrate into existing processes
- Be concise, easy to understand and use
- Challenge for Small Medium Enterprises (SMEs)



## **Imperial Oil Limited**

A leader for over 125 years, focused on the future



- Integrated petroleum company
- Net proved reserves\* -1.5 GBOE
- Net non-proved resource 12 GBOE
- Upstream production 351 KBOED
- Major oil sands producer 230 KBD
- Leading refiner and marketer
- Integrated chemicals business



## Imperial Oil's Approach to CSR

#### Imperial uses the term 'corporate citizenship':

- Meeting growing demands for energy in an economically, environmentally and socially responsible manner
- Strong emphasis on minimizing our impact on the environment, creating a safe, healthy and supportive workplace, and working with communities to address local needs and create long-term benefits.
- Embedded in company values, policies, standards and processes

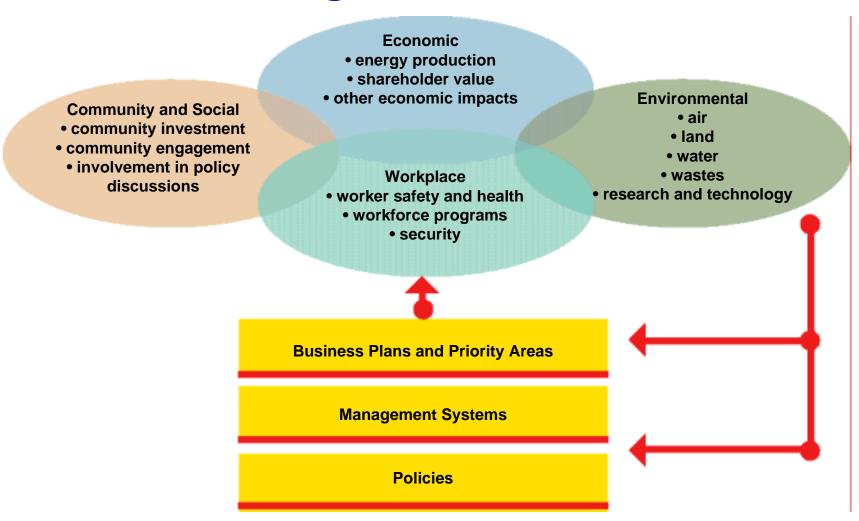


# **Imperial Oil Illustrations**

- How we manage the business
- Governance and integrity
- Environmental business planning
- Community engagement
- Managing risks of climate change



### How We Manage the Business





## **Governance and Integrity**

"Our Standards of Business Conduct"

Policies and standards

• Board of Directors Committees

Audit; Corporate Governance; EH&S

 Management Systems – roadmap to meet policies

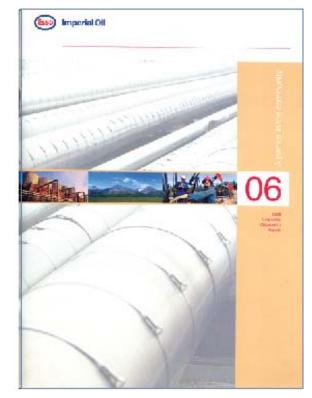
Meets ISO 14001; OHSAS 18001

Chemicals Industry Responsible Care®

 Public reporting – Corporate Citizenship Report

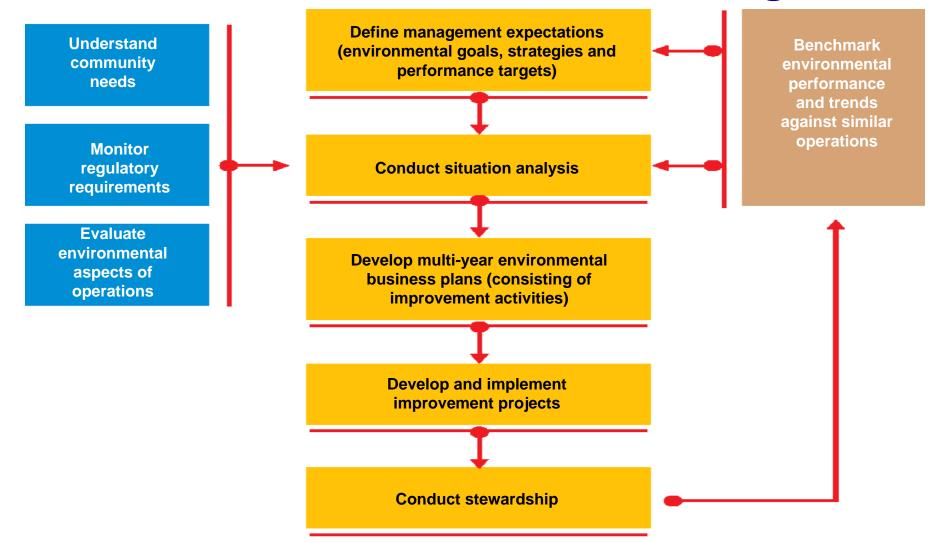
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Mapped to GRI





## **Environmental Business Planning**





## **Environmental Goals**

- Goal Protect Tomorrow. Today.
- Strategic focus improvement areas investing \$1.2 billion over five years
  - further leadership training
  - investments to reduce emissions to air
  - continue reducing incidents and spills
  - reliability improvement
  - continue reducing water use
  - gains in energy efficiency



### **Community Engagement - Project Lifecycle**

### Pre-construction

- Community consultation, traditional knowledge studies
- Open houses
- Local sourcing, benefits agreements
- Selective infrastructure enhancements, particularly education
- Public (regulatory) hearings

#### • Post-startup

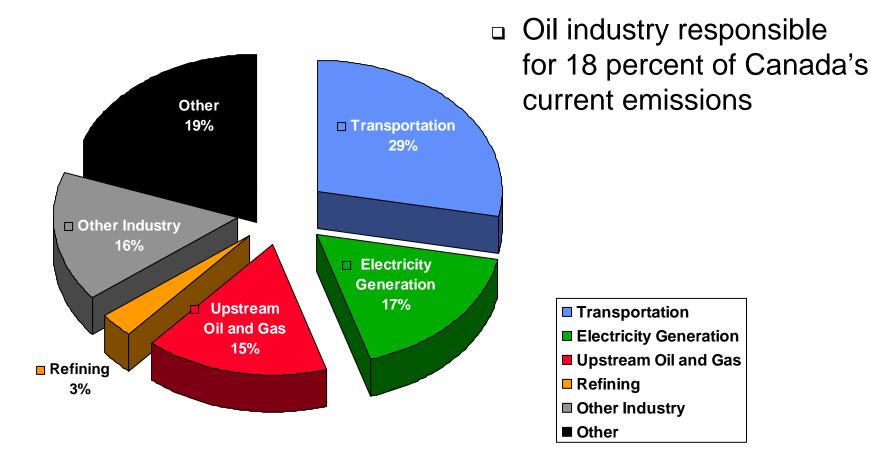
- Community-industry partnerships
- Open houses
- Routine neighbour-reports (hard copy, electronic)

#### • Post-operation

- Reclamation to achieve productive land use



## **Canada's GHG Emissions Sources**





# **Managing Risks of Climate Change**

### • Long-term objective:

 Reduce risk of serious impacts at reasonable cost to society

### • Near-term objectives:

- Promote energy efficiency
- Promote deployment of existing technologies that reduce GHG emissions
- Support research and development of low-GHG technologies
- Support climate research to reduce uncertainties and pace response



## **Closing Comments on SR**

- Very broad subject; wide variation in cultural realities and legal environments
  - -flexibility in application needed
- Long-term effectiveness, best through integration
- Operating in a responsible manner applies to all of society

