



Ad-Hoc INDUSTRY

**NATURAL RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT GROUP**

MISSION STATEMENT

The multi-sector Ad-Hoc Industry Natural Resource Management Group was founded in 1988. Originally focused on the limits to liability in natural resource damage actions under US laws, its scope is now worldwide. Focused on the intersection between natural resources (air, water, species, land) and a broad set of industrial activities, including manufacturing, transportation by sea and land, offshore activities, mining, oil and gas, waste management and more, the Group is unique worldwide in its multi-sector composition, its worldwide purview and its singular focus on natural resource-related effects and opportunities. The Group's mission is:

- (1) To Encourage and Facilitate Sound Laws, Policies, Regulations, Legal Precedents and Practices on Liability and Other Matters Involving Effects of Industrial Activities on Natural Resources;
- (2) To Coordinate Industry-Wide Comments and Activities Related to the Above;
- (3) To Support Companies Relative to Corporate-Wide and Site-Specific Strategies and Needs Concerning the Above;
- (4) To Maximize Ways that Companies Can Leverage Company-Owned Natural Resources to Settle Liability Matters and Enhance Positioning in the Communities Where These Resources Are Located;
- (5) To Cultivate and Maintain Ongoing Communication and Practice Exchange with the Key Government Authorities Charged with Implementation of Natural Resource Liability Regimes;
- (6) To Continually Operate on the Cutting Edge of Innovative Approaches That Can Foster Expedient and Cost-Effective Resolution of Site and Case Specific Matters;
- (7) To Sponsor Research and Other Activities to Advance the State-of-the-Art;
- (8) To Hold Periodic Symposia and Other Meetings to Examine Issues, Challenges, Opportunities and Strategies for Industry In and Around the Interface Between Industrial Activities and Natural Resources;

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- (9) To Function as Educator, Facilitator and Catalyst for Action, Both to and on Behalf of the Broader Industrial Community;
- (10) To Monitor and Take Action on Key Intersecting and/or Emerging Issues Relevant to the Group's Mission¹.

¹ Over the course of the Group's nearly 30-year history, a variety of issues related to the Group's charter and interests have and continue to emerge, including: emergency response; remediation; contaminated sediments; preventative and risk management measures; financial guarantees and related insurance/reinsurance; economic and scientific methodologies including contingent valuation and scaling techniques; carbon sequestration and carbon footprints associated with restoration approaches; climate change policy; energy development, production and use; crisis management and accident prevention; biodiversity effects, sustainability strategies, corporate social responsibility and many more.