



EXECUTIVE TALK

COMMAND AND CONTROL VS SELF REGULATION ENFORCEMENT APPROACH

“Meeting Your Environmental Obligations”

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WHAT IS COMMAND AND CONTROL?



- CAC is sometimes refers to “Carrot and Stick” approach

- CAC involves the DOE to:

“command” industries in reducing pollution

“control” industries to meet emission levels

Why CAC approach was introduced in early 1970s?



CAC – speed up behavioural change of industries and project proponents to meet environmental obligations.



What are the methods involved in CAC?

1. **Laws** – quality standards, specific directives, limits and guidelines

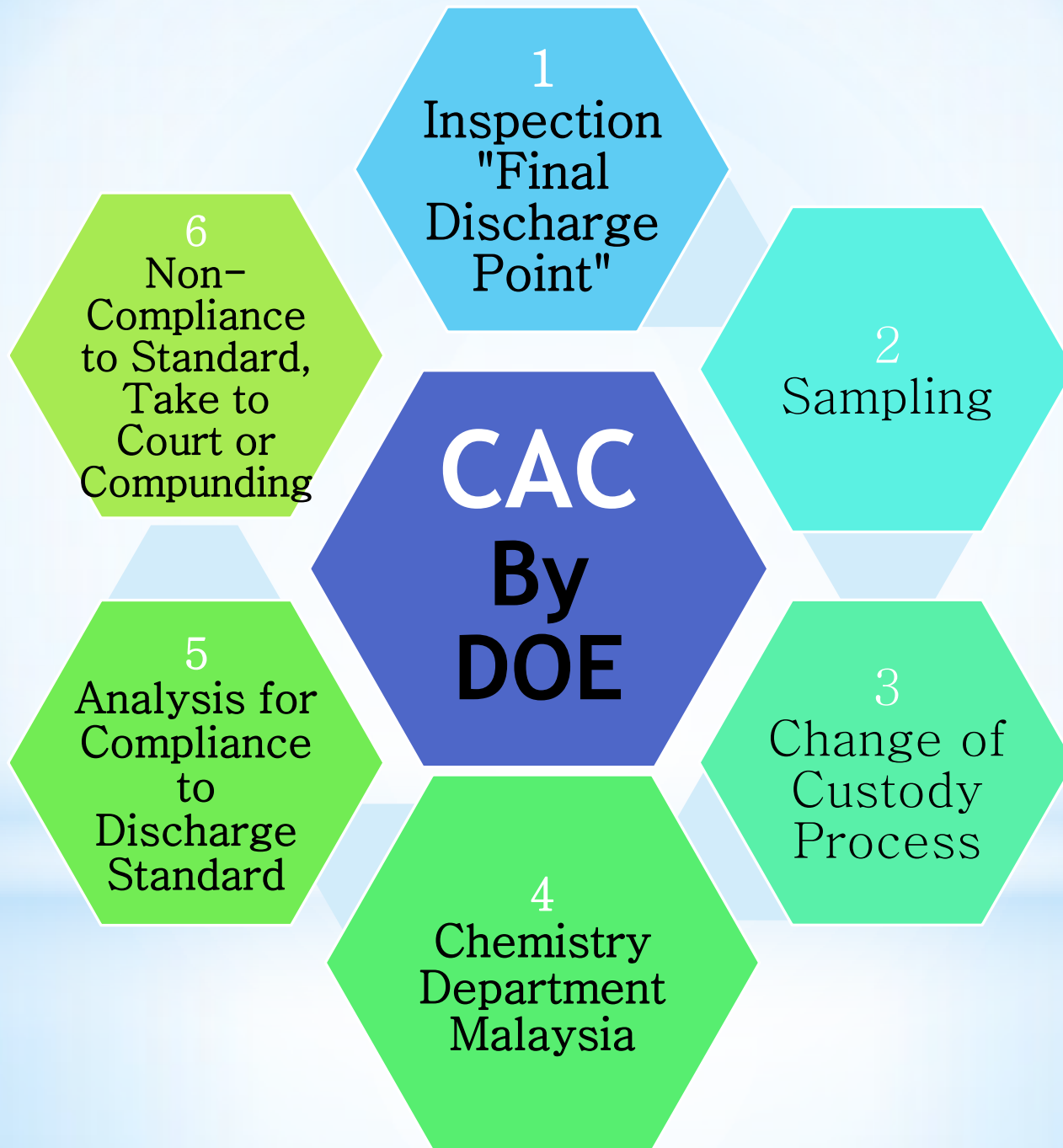
2. **Contracts and Agreements** –



EIA conditions

Schedule Waste Licencing Conditions

Contravention Licence



What are Strengths and Weaknesses of CAC approach?

A CAC approach in DOE policy is used for several reasons:

- ***Strength** – CAC can respond more quickly with the force of Law
- ***Criticism** – Capture a snapshots (not true big picture) of non-compliance in industries operation.

Let us consider Math of Enforcement Visit:

Maths of CAC Enforcement

Q1. How to establish compliance?

A1. Of Course, compliance demonstration solely based on factory inspection

The Facts—Conservative Estimate

Say, number of DOE inspectors = 1000

Say, total number of factories (not including EIA Development Projects) in Malaysia = 10,000

Say, an inspector conducts 1 inspection per day

Say, number of working days = 300 days

Therefore, total annual number of inspections = $1000 \times 300 = 300,000$

Therefore, it means each (1) factory can be inspected 30 times a year ($300,000/10,000$)

Snapshot information



Each factory can be inspected **30** times a year!

Even on an overly exaggerated estimate of **30** inspections a year, the information obtained is

A SNAPSHOT INFORMATION ON COMPLIANCE STATUS

Snapshot Information? Why?

30 inspections of a factory a year

Say, an inspection is a full working day affair = 6 h/d

So, total inspection time = $30 \times 6 = 180$ h/y

Say factory operates only 8 h/d, 200 d/y

Total factory working hours = $8 \times 200 = 1600$ h/y

So, inspection time/factory operating time = $180/1600 = 11\%$

Let's **think**
for a while...



- * Inspection time/factory operating time = $180/1600$
= **11** %
- * Assessment of Compliance status solely based on factory inspections statistically justified?

SELF-REGULATION APPROACH

Self-Regulation is whereby industries or project proponents be the ownership in enforcing environmental laws in meeting environmental obligations

In short, **DIY (DO IT YOURSELF)** in achieving environmental compliance or **Fully Hands On**



Why DOE need to shift from CAC and towards Self-Regulation Approach?



Positive Corporate Image

- The **image** of investors at stake if non-compliance industries taken to court
- Avoid factory or project developers **downtime** and heavy **monetary penalties**

Snapshot inspection

- Not Fair and within 365 days per year, overlooking **BIG PICTURE** for those highly responsible industries who fully hands on.

Positive Culture

- The practice of self-regulation-performance monitoring will **mainstreaming** self-regulatory performance issues

Sewage and Industrial Regulations 1979

Which DOE Regulations have been **revoked**?

Clean Air Regulations 1978

Industrial Effluent Regulations 2009

Which DOE **NEW** Regulations with Self-Regulatory Elements

Sewage Regulation 2009

Landfill and Transfer Stations Regulations 2009

Clean Air Regulations 2014

What Self-Regulatory Elements Advocated by DOE?





How to be certified?

Self-Regulatory Elements in EIA



Self-Regulatory Elements for

POME

The self-regulatory elements are similar to the Industrial Effluent

Other Self-Regulatory Elements (CEMS-Continuous Emission Monitoring System)



Other Self-Regulatory Elements (PEMS-Predictive Emission Monitoring System)

Some industries are encourage to use PEMS together with CEMS;

- Incineration Plants stacks from Oil & Gas Processing and Refinery
- limitation to Coal Fired Power Plants and Cement Plants.

WRAP UP

- ✓ CAC Vs Self-Regulation (strength and Weaknesses)
- ✓ DOE Moving Forward
 - * Mainstreaming Self-Regulation
 - * Competent Persons or Qualified Person (as Environmental Practitioners)
 - * Certification Program



thank
you!



Q & A

