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DEVELOPMENT OF QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM UNDER ISO 9001:2015 AND JOINT INSPECTION GROUP (JIG) FOR AVIATION FUELLING SERVICE

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The Joint Inspection Group (JIG) standard for aviation fuel quality management assists in the operational process and maintenance of aviation fuel from its point of origin and through distribution systems to airports. Currently, problems arise as the JIG standard and quality management in aviation fuel are isolated and have independent procedures. Merging the JIG standards with ISO 9001:2015 can override original JIG's philosophy by connecting all quality assessment, and management parties involved, throughout the supply chain. This integration can harmonize auditing tasks, focusing on risk/opportunity, and continue quality improvement focus. This paper proposes a development of quality management system (QMS) under ISO 9001:2015 for aviation fuelling service in a systematic way. The content and critical success factors of ISO 9001:2015 and JIG standards were studied. The beneficial synergies, similarities, and logical linkages between both standards are identified. This QMS was developed in the largest petroleum company in Thailand and 60 selected experts were surveyed, with a response rate of 88.3%, for their agreement on integrated criteria. Two external quality auditors, who have ISO 9001 and JIG expertise, were interviewed to modify our initial proposed QMS. The final QMS was implemented in the into-plane fuelling services as the first phase of this implementation. Results of framework implementation are discussed in a case study. There are mutual benefits resulting from the integration of JIG and ISO 9001:2015 standards. This QMS provides a unified process for quality management practices, and enhances the effectiveness of risk evaluation as well as the opportunity for continued quality improvement. It facilitates the identification of ISO 9001:2015 requirements and establishes relationships between the roles of JIG standard and the clauses of ISO 9001:2015. The first experience from five airports as the pilot study of proposed QMS implementation minimized conflicts and duplications between JIG and ISO 9001:2015 standards, reduced the number of into-plane fuelling service incidents reported, such as oil spill, machine stoppage, re-inspections, and recall costs.

Keywords

ISO 9001, QMS, integration system, quality assurance, aviation fuelling service.

Introduction

The aviation fuelling service industry, complex and advanced systems are constantly being developed and updated. Despite system improvements and advances in technology, the organizational and human factors that interact with those systems remain the fundamental causes of most fuelling accidents [1, 2]. In order to minimize such accidents, an integration of quality management system (QMS) and safety management system (SMS) is currently being viewed as an effective, systematic management model [3].

SMS monitors safety performance, identifies quality gaps, evaluates related risks, and manages the risks effectively. However, QMS concentrates on compliance with regulations and requirements in order to satisfy customer expectations and contractual obligations. QMS focuses on products and services with certain levels of quality, consistency, and satisfaction, while SMS focuses on safety performance to control the risks occurring during the processes or services [4]. In general, QMS and SMS have many similarities but are used in different roles and have different expected results. QMS is focused on products, services, and customer satisfaction. However, SMS is focused on human, and organizational safety [4, 5].

In addition to QMS, aviation fuelling quality management utilizes safety and reliability engineering to identify failure conditions and improve failure rates. The failure of any critical component in the process may result in unsafe conditions. Note that, aviation fuelling and storage at the depot are accompanied by attendant hazards which must be mitigated to acceptable levels. Issues can occur from either the fuel sources at the depot, fuel transportation onsite, or a fuel hydrant system. The primary risk is unintended ignition of fuel vapour, which can occur by a single spark. Escaping fuel vapours, and the risk of ignition, often result from spillage arising from procedural errors, leaks, aircraft tank venting, or failure of pressurized defuel lines or their couplings. For example, in 2001, a Boeing 777-236 was substantially damaged, and a refuelling operative was killed during a ground fire at Denver International Airport. The fire started when the airplane was parked at the gate unloading passengers and was being refuelled at the under-wing refuelling panel. The fire broke out following the failure of a refuelling coupling under pressure as a result of improper attachment [6].

Fuel systems differ greatly among aircraft due to the relative size and complexity of the aircraft in which they are installed. In the most basic form, a fuel system will consist of a single gravity feed fuel tank with the associated fuel line connecting it to the aircraft engine. In a modern, multi-engine passenger or cargo aircraft, the fuel system is likely to consist of multiple fuel tanks which may be located in the wing or the fuselage (or both). Each tank may be equipped with internal fuel pumps and associated valves and plumbing to feed the engines, allow for refuelling and defueling, and isolate the individual tanks [7]. Figure 1 presents the schematic for the supply and distribution chain from refinery to aircraft.

Risk of contamination is another critical fuel system issue. The primary types of contamination are water, particulate, and microbiological material. In addition, contamination can occur from other fuel grades and chemicals that may be in multi-product transport systems. The fuel may also be rendered off-specification by either under-dosing/overdosing of approved additives, using an incorrect additive, or from product testing issues not limited to, but including, poor sampling, incorrect test procedures, and uncalibrated laboratory equipment. These issues can occur at various points in the supply chain [8].

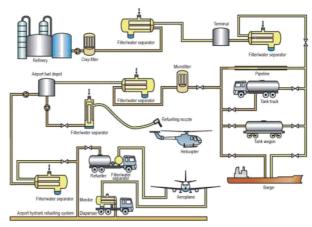


Fig. 1. Schematic for the supply and distribution chian from refinery to aircraft [8].

Most airports have already established QMS and SMS programs such as Joint Inspection Group, or JIG standard. Identification of hazards associated with organizational factors, including human performance within the organization is a paradigm shift to systematic safety management. Moreover, improving the fuelling services to a zero accident goal, QMS should be implemented and integrated with SMS. SMS is specially designed for aviation fuelling system programs, while QMS is a generic and non-industry specific [9]. This QMS is similar to the previous extension of ISO 9001 to specific industries, such as ISO/TS 16949 for automotive production, ISO/TS 29001 for petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries, ISO 13485 for medical devices, ISO/IEC 90003 for software engineering, ISO 17582 for electoral organizations, and ISO 18091 for local government.

Therefore, this paper aims primarily to develop a QMS under ISO 9001: 2015 with JIG standard (SMS) to improve aviation fuelling service. The purpose of this development includes expanding risk management to the operational parts, integrating the different management systems into a unique system,

connecting and aligning the QMS with the best practices provided by JIG standards, and implementing the integration of ISO 9001: 2015 and JIG standards into five Thai airports as the pilot study of the initial framework implementation. In addition, as the fuelling service quality is our major focus, our proposed framework covers fuel systems from the depot to into-plane fuelling services. This paper explains why the airports should begin to adopt the integrated QMS and SMS framework in order to manage risks with a systematic management approach and to prevent aircraft accidents caused by improper or poor quality fuelling services.

Theoretical background

This section is composed of three parts; ISO 9001:2015 components and its critical success factors, JIG standard requirements, and a review of the standard integration approach.

ISO 9001:2015 components

ISO 9001 the most extensive international standard for the establishment, and maintenance of quality management systems due to its focus on customers through leadership, teamwork, process approach, systems approach to management, continued improvement, and information based decisionmaking. ISO 9001 is applicable to organizations of all types. It covers the basic processes within the organization; it also provides certain actions for control over processes and management. QMS according to ISO 9001 standard is currently used throughout the world and increased certification of the system insures the quality of products or services. Today, the aviation industry is busy assessing the impact of ISO 9001:2015, and updating quality management systems to meet the revision requirements. ISO 9001:2015 is less product-oriented than previous versions; ISO 9001:2008 [10]. Therefore, this can be generically applied to services as well as products that benefit the aviation fuelling services and quality management. The major change in the ISO 9001:2015 standard is to establish a systematic approach to risk by promoting risk-based thinking. Risk management is considered throughout the QMS. The emphasis on risk management in the revised standard provides the necessary balance between cost, schedule, technical, safety, and regulatory compliance. QMS outlined by ISO 9001 reinforces the quality control process and business management as the major change in the 2015 version [11]. The high level structure, or clauses, of ISO 9001:2015 is shown in Table 1.

 $\label{eq:Table 1} \mbox{Table 1} \\ \mbox{High level structure of ISO 9001:2015 [11]}.$

Clauses no.	Description	Purpose	
1	Scope	Overview	
2	Normative references	References	
3	Terms and definitions	References	
4	Context of organization		
5	Leadership	7	
6	Planning	D : .	
7	Support	Requirements	
8	Operations		
9	Performance and evaluation		
10	Improvements		

The number of companies obtaining ISO 9001 certification has been increasing over the years [12] because of the extensive benefits of ISO 9001:2015 implementation and its maintenance, including market expansion [13], improved product and service quality [14] cost reduction and financial benefits [15], improved customer satisfaction and confidence [16], enhanced employee involvement and morale [13], ontime product delivery and improved product performance [17], and systematic organization [18]. However, there were a few criticisms published of ISO 90001 drawbacks including; increased bureaucracy and documentation [19], excessive implementation costs that may not be unaffordable for small and medium-size enterprises (SMEs) [20], and that the standard is too generic requiring extension to specific industries [9]. The most important factors of implementing ISO 9001 include; management, training, resources, and customers-focus [21].

Joint inspection group (JIG) standard

The JIG standard for Aviation fuel quality control and operating procedures consists of internationally agreed upon procedures for handling aviation fuel at airports and upstream aviation fuel facilities. The standard includes recommended practices for fuel sampling and testing, depot, hydrant, and fuelling vehicle design features, and procedures for storage and delivery of aviation fuel to aircraft. Figure 2, shown below, maps the JIG standards to the aviation fuel supply chain which is shown as follows:

- EI/JIG standard 1530 defines quality assurance requirements for the manufacture, storage and distribution of aviation fuels to airport;
- JIG 1 issue 12 is the aviation fuel quality control and operating standard for into-plan fuelling service [22];
- JIG 2 issue 12 is the aviation fuel quality control and operating standard for airport depots and hydrants [23].



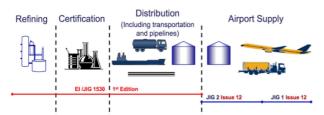


Fig. 2. Overview of JIG standards mapped with aviation fuelling supply chain.

EI/JIG 1530 1st edition was exhibited on October 2013, and JIG 1 and 2 issue 12 were exhibited on January 2016. In this paper, JIG 1 and 2 issue 2 have been applied for development of the QMS, therefore, the discussion of JIG 1 and 2 are presented in this section. Both JIG 1 and 2 Standards contain three main parts; quality control, maintenance, and accident/incident reporting. The shared goals of JIG standards include zero breakdown of fuelling and depot storage equipment, zero defects, and zero accidents. The JIG standard is a comprehensive set of quality control and maintenance practices. Along with maintenance, JIG standards facilitate airport management with an emphasis on quality, safety and productivity, which results in an overall performance enchantment of fuelling services. Therefore, JIG standards involves four main parties; fuelling operator or staffs, internal and external inspectors, airport management, and fuel suppliers [22, 23].

ISO 9001 Standards Integration

The integration of ISO 9001 standards with other standards has been reviewed and conclude with the connection, or integration, into four angles; principlebased connection, elements and technique based connections, connections though award-based quality frameworks, and plan-do-check-act (PDCA) based connection [24]. The principle-based connection is to investigate the standard principle and draw its con-

nection. This can help the developer to determine the shared objectives between two standards [25]. The element-based connection is to integrate the elements of standards, identifying the compatibility, confliction, and similarity [26]. The connection through award-based quality framework is similar to the principle-based connection, however, the link based on the award perspective (i.e. Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award) is to create the shared principles [27]. Finally, the basics of PDCA in ISO 9001 is to portray the clause of QMS requirements [28]. In terms of the development of a QMS under ISO 9001:2015 and JIG standard, the first two angles were selected; principle-based connection to define the shared objectives, and elements-based connection to find the similarity and capability between these standards, and to illustrate into the conceptual model using the PDCA connection.

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Methodology

Research methodology in this study is divided into two parallel phases as presented in Fig. 3. The first phase is to integrating ISO 9001:2015 and JIG standards development and implementation. The second phase is the evaluation process for: 1) validation of the proposed QMS, and 2) feedback analysis from the framework implementation. The principles and elements of ISO 9001: 2015 and JIG 1 and 2 issue 12 standards were extracted. The shared principles were formed as the unique principle for this integration (result in Table 2). In addition, the elements of ISO 9001: 2015 (clause 4-10) were set and matched to the elements of JIG standards (QC, maintenance, and monitoring). The similarity of elements was integrated into single element. The elements of ISO 9001:2015 which is not related to the aviation fuel quality management was eliminated (integration results shows in Table 3). However, our initial principle

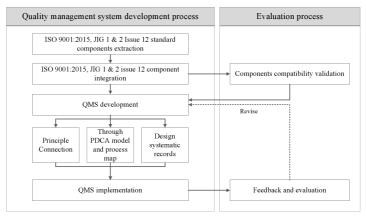


Fig. 3. Research methodology is divided into two types; (1) QMS development process, and (2) evaluation process.

and element integration was checked by 60 employees who experiences of ISO 9001 and JIG standards and have been working in aviation fuel services in Thai airports more than 5 years using survey instruments, and two external quality management experts utilizing focus group interviews. A response rate was 88.3% due to the participants' available time.

The survey consists of two parts. We selected the focus group to answer the survey so that the demographic survey was eliminated as the survey should be conducted as simply as possible. There were 60selected employees were surveyed, with a response rate of 88.3%. The first part of survey determines the relationship between ISO 9001:2015 and JIG 1 and 2 standards. This questionnaire aims to investigate the possibility of integration between these standards based on the operative experiences. The options consist of 1) separate implementation of ISO 9001:2015 and JIG 1 and 2 standards, 2) ISO 9001:2015 merges JIG 1 and 2 standards, and 3) integrating ISO 9001:2015 and JIG 1 and 2 standards. In addition, the respondents were then asked to indicate the possibility using "yes/no" questions in integrating ISO 9001:2015 elements with JIG standards. The degree of difficulties were included in the questionnaires using a scale from 1 to 5, which denote "easy" to "difficult" range. The second parts allow the participants to evaluate the principle and elements compatibility of our initial match. Finally, the survey data collection and analysis with our proposed QMS model were discussed with two external quality management experts. At this stage, the final QMS was concluded, then we defined the conceptual models though PDCA models (see Fig. 5) and the process procedures using a turtle diagram (see Fig. 6), which is a quality tool used to visually display process characteristics.

Finally, the QMS was implemented during May 2016 at five selected airports located in Thailand. Note that, the internal auditing process has routinely taken weekly. The historical number of incidents has been collected for five years. The comparison between the average of number of incident in 2015 and the number of incidents detected in May 2016 is performed. The feedback was collected from two internal auditors though the short second survey to evaluate the fuelling service improvement for each airports using a scale of 1 "not improve" to 5 "very improve".

Results

Component compatibilities

Figure 4 presents the survey feedback of the relationship between ISO 9001:2015 and JIG 1 and 2 $\,$

issue 12 from fuelling operative senior staffs familiar with ISO 9001 and JIG standards for more than 5 years. It shows that 9.4% of respondents do not agree with integrating these two standards. They found that ISO 9001 is too generic and connects all stakeholders, potentially causing difficulty of implementation. 22.6% of responses agree with this difference and recommended merging ISO 9001:2015 and JIG standards. However, about 67% of overall respondents agreed and saw the benefit of this integration in improving the current procedures to cope with continue quality improvement. In addition, Fig. 5 presents the possibility percentage and difficulty level of integrating ISO 9001:2015 with JIG standards for each ISO 9001:2015 elements.

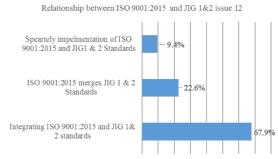


Fig. 4. The relationship between ISO 9001: 2015 and JIG 1 and 2 issue 12 based on the survey.



Fig. 5. Possibility percentage (%) and difficulty level of integrating ISO 9001:2015 with JIG standards (range 1-5).

QMS development

Table 2 shows the final principle integration between ISO 9001 and JIG standard. The JIG standard objectives to three main principles of ISO 9001:2015; including improvement, process approach, and engagement and competence of people. As a result, the QMS focuses on the process approach, continued quality improvement, and engagement and competence of people as its first priority. Table 3 presents the final elements of standards integration (after survey and revised by two experts in quality management system in petroleum industry).

 ${\it Table~2} \\ {\it Principles-based integration~between~ISO~9001:2015~and~JIG~1~and~2}.$

ISO 9001: 2015	JIG 1 and 2 issue 12	Principle-based connection	
• Customer focus	Planned maintenance Improvement		
• Leadership	• Quality maintenance	Development management	
• Engagement and competence of people	• Education and training	Process approach	
 Process approach 	• Safety, health, and environment	Planned maintenance	
• Improvement	• Development management	Quality maintenance	
 Informed decision making 		• Focus in Safety, health, and environment	
 Relationship management 		Engagement and competence of people	
		• Education and training	
		Development management	

Table 3 Element-based integration between ISO 9001:2015 and JIG 1 and 2 standards.

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Dimension	ISO 9001:2015	JIG 1 issue 12	JIG 2 issue 12	Integration
Context of organization	4.1 Understanding organization context 4.2 Understanding interested parties 4.3 Scope 4.4 QMS	1 Purpose, scope, application, staff responsibilities, and inspection	1 Purpose, scope, application, staff responsibilities, and inspection	 Purpose Scope Application Staff responsibility Inspection requirements
Leadership	5.1 Leadership and commitment 5.2 Policy 5.3 Organizational roles, responsibilities and authority	requirement	requirement	Leadership and commitmentPolicyOrganizational rolesAuthority
Planning	6.1 Actions to address risks and opportunities 6.2 Quality objectives and planning 6.3 Planning of changes	5 Fuel quality control requirement	10 General operation requirement and maintenance	 Actions to address risks and opportunities Quality control and planning Planning of changes
Support	7.1 Resources 7.2 Competence 7.3 Awareness 7.4 Communication 7.5 Documented information	2 Sampling and testing 3 Fuelling equipment design features 7 Documentation	2 Sampling and testing 3 Depot facilities design features 9 Documentation	 Resources (i.e. equipment, depot, aircrafts, etc.) Quality control and assurance results (i.e. fuel sampling tests, equipment tests) On-site incidents and lesson learn Knowledge (i.e. standards, best practices manual, training documents, etc.) Communication plan and log Activity log Service log Systematic records
8.1 Operational planning and control 8.2 Product and service requirements 8.3 Design and development 8.4 Control of externally provided processes, products and services 8.5 Production and service provision 8.6 Release of products and services 8.7 Control of nonconforming outputs		6 Fuelling operations 8 Health, safety, security, environment, training, and emergency procedures	4 Receipt procedures 6 Storage procedures 7 Produce release for delivery to into-plane fuelling equipment 11 Health, safety, security, environment training, and emergency procedures	Best practices of fuelling and storage (operational planning) Operational requirements (external control) health, safety, security, environment, training, and emergency procedures Maintenance
Performance and evaluation	9.1 Monitoring, measurement, analysis and evaluation 9.2 Internal audit 9.3 Management review	4 Maintenance and testing of fuelling equipment	5 Quality control	 Testing Quality control Monitoring Internal audit External audit
Improvement 10.1 General 10.2 Nonconformity and corrective action 10.3 Continuous improvement		N/A	N/A	 Risk assessment Planning corrective/ preventative action Continuous improvement

After the elements, or components, of ISO 9001:2015 and JIG standards were integrated and merged, the conceptualization of QMS though the PDCA lens was developed and used to communicate during the framework implementation stage (see Fig. 5). All components are connected during the communication and backup with the resources and knowledge. There are two dimension of quality delivery; horizontal driven with satisfied aviation fuelling service, and vertical driven with continued quality improvement. The vertical driven applies a risk as-

sessment that results in corrective and preventative actions based on a root-cause analysis. This new solution of actions must be added to the operational requirements, and updating the process procedures. For planning, the actions of addressing the risk and opportunity for improvement should be developed and driven by leadership. The systematic records are used to monitor performances.

In terms of the QMS implementation, the process approach has been created using the turtle diagram (see Fig. 6). The systematic document of this QMS

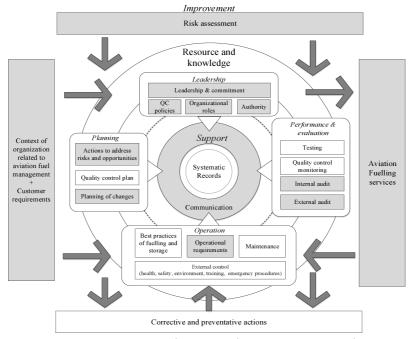


Fig. 6. Conceptual of QMS of ISO (grey colour) and JIG standards (white colour).

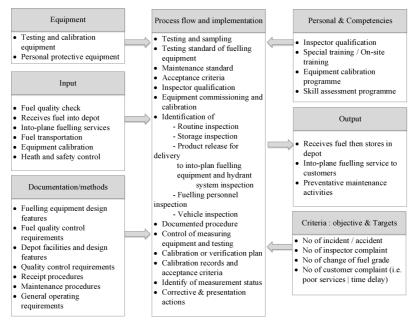


Fig. 7. Process approach using turtle diagram (through auditor point of view).

is presented into four categories; policy and procedure (Table 4), quality control (Table 5), main-

tenance (Table 6), and quality improvement (Table 7).

 $\label{eq:Table 4} {\it Table 4}$ Systematic records of QMS (policy and procedures).

Standards	Systematic records		
Scope of quality management system (clause 4.3) Quality policy and objectives (clause 5.2 and 6.2) Internal audit and procedure (clause 9.2) Results of management review (clause 9.3) Procedure for monitoring customer satisfaction (clause 9.1.2)			
JIG 1	 Purpose, scope, application and inspection equipment (chapter 1) Health, safety, security, environment, training, and emergency procedures 		
JIG 2	(chapter 8 in JIG 1, and chapter 11 in JIG 2) • JIG inspection programme		

 ${\it Table~5}$ Systematic records of QMS (Quality control).

Standards	Systematic records			
ISO 9001:2015	 Monitoring and measuring equipment calibration records (clause 7.1.5.1) Monitoring and measurement results (clause 9.1.1) Fuelling provision change control records (clause 8.5.6) Record of conformity of fuels with acceptance criteria (clause 8.6) Characteristic of fuel products (clause 8.5.1) Record of conformity of fuelling services with acceptance criteria (clause 8.6) 			
JIG 1	 Daily water drain record Filter membrane test results including membranes Fuel sample records Filtration equipment: differential pressure record and graphs Change of fuel grade – selective setting check record 			
Daily product dips, tank contents and water checks, including date/time Detail of incoming consignments with reference to Refinery Certificate of Quality of Analysis and release certificate, quality, including data and time Receipt tank detail, setting and release checks Product deliveries and transfers including date/time when tanks put in service Refinery certificate of quality or certificate of analysis and release certificates covering incoming consignments Recertification and periodic test certificates Hydrant pit use of low point flushing Filter membrane test records Filter sump drains				

 $\label{eq:Table 6} {\it Table 6}$ Systematic records of QMS (Maintenance).

Standards	Systematic records		
ISO 9001:2015	 Monitoring and measuring equipment calibration records (clause 7.1.5.1) Monitoring and measurement results (clause 9.1.1) Fuelling provision change control records (clause 8.5.6) Record of conformity of fuels with acceptance criteria (clause 8.6) 		
JIG 1	 Logbook to record work carried out on each items of equipment Mobile equipment serviceability checks Hose stowage/brake interlocks, Emergency/engine stops Pressure. Surge control systems and deadman checks Hose inspection and testing, Meter test record Pressure and vacuum gauge test record Coupler inspection and repair record Nozzle inspection and repair record Fuller tank inspection and cleaning record Filtration equipment: inspection and maintenance records Hose-end strainers inspection/replacement record Fire extinguisher check record Equipment calibration programme 		
JIG 2	 Storage take details and tank inspection and cleaning records Micro filter and filter separator differential pressure graphs and inspection and maintenance records Hydrant pit cleaning and checking of pit components Hose inspection and testing Details and dates of all maintenance work Equipment calibration programme 		

Table 7 Systematic records of QMS (Quality improvement).

Standards	Systematic records	
ISO 9001:2015	Procedure for addressing risks and opportunities (clause 6.1) Procedure for management review (clause 9.3) Procedure for fuelling services provision (clause 8.3) Procedure of competence, training and awareness (clause 7.1.2,7.2 and 7.3) Record of training, skills, experiences and qualification (clause 7.2) Records of development control and output (clause 8.3.4 and 8.3.6) Records about property (clause 8.5.3) Procedure for corrective actions (clause 10.2)	
JIG 1	Incident or accident report (chapter 7.5 in JIG 1, chapter 9.5 in JIG 2)	
JIG 2	Routine test frequencies	

Table 8
Report of number of incidents that assessed by internal auditors (weekly visit) and the performance improvement though internal auditors' point of view.

Site	Average number of incident in 2015 (monthly)	Number of incidents detected in May 2016 (during new QMS implementation)	Number of fuelling services in May 2016	Percentage of number incident reduction	Performance evaluation feedback from internal auditors (1 – not at all improved, 5 – very improved)
Airport 1	7.4	3	5,574	59.5%	4
Airport 2	5.6	3	481	46.4%	3.5
Airport 3	6.1	4	182	34.4%	3
Airport 4	4.8	1	1,236	79.2%	4.5
Airport 5	5.3	5	155	5.7%	2.5
Average	5.8	3	1,868.3	45.2%	3.5

QMS Implementation (pilot study)

The proposed QMS has been implemented in five randomly selected airports located in Thailand. Table 8 shows the comparison between the proposed QMS and JIG standard alone. The indicators of evaluation contains two matrices: 1) number of incidents before and after the QMS implementation, and 2) feedback from internal auditors. The data was collected during May 2016. The average number of monthly incidents across five airport in 2015 was 5.8 times. After the new QMS was implemented, the average number of monthly incident reduces to 3 times (45.2% reduction) with average number of 1,868.3 fuelling services. The feedback from two internal auditors indicated that the new QMS under ISO 9001:2015 and JIG standards can improve the aviation fuel services with level of 3.5 (Natural to somewhat improved).

Conclusions

The Joint Inspection Group (JIG) standard for aviation fuel quality management assists in the operational process and maintenance of aviation fuel from its point of origin and through distribu-

tion systems to airports. Currently, problems arise as the JIG standard and quality management in aviation fuel are isolated. Merging the JIG standards with ISO 9001:2015 can override original JIG's philosophy by connecting all quality assessment, and management parties involved, throughout the supply chain. The content and critical success factors of ISO 9001:2015 and JIG standards were studied. The beneficial synergies, similarities, and logical linkages between both standards are identified. The QMS was developed through the principle-based integration, element-based integration, and systematic records. First stage of survey to identify the possibility of integration found that 67.9% agreed. This QMS was initial implemented into five selected airport located in Thailand. The feedback from internal auditors as well as the indicator of average number of monthly incidents detected were used for evaluating this QMS. The results showed that the new QMS reduced the average number of monthly incidents by 45.2% in five airports. The internal auditors' feedback was positive with natural to somewhat improved with the new QMS compared to the JIG standard alone.

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