DIY OBRA

Do it yourself Occupied building risk assessment

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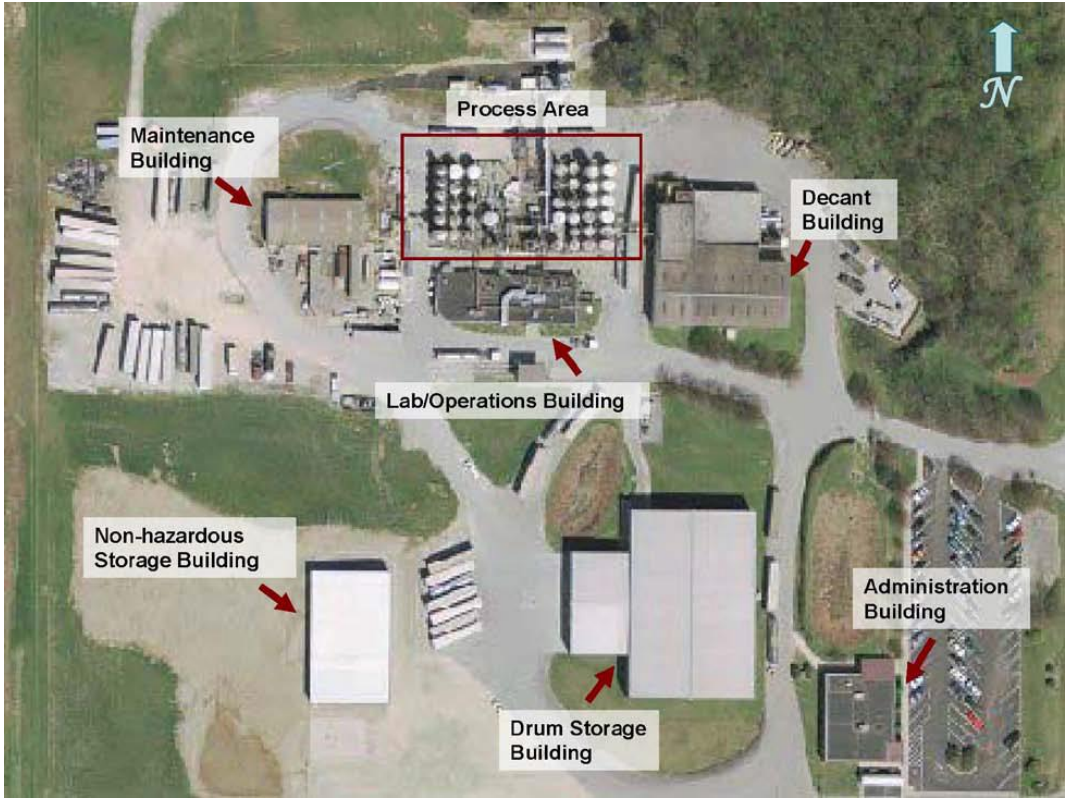
WHAT WOULD YOU DO DIFFERENT IN THE SITE LAYOUT OF THIS PLANT?



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PLANT AFTER VAPOR CLOUD EXPLOSION

(PICTURES FROM CSB)

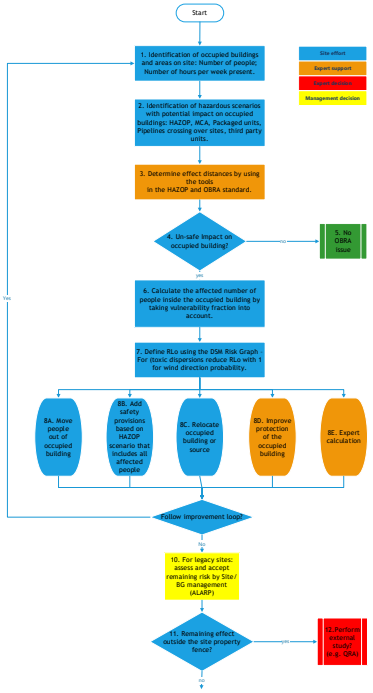
Occupied Buildings Safety

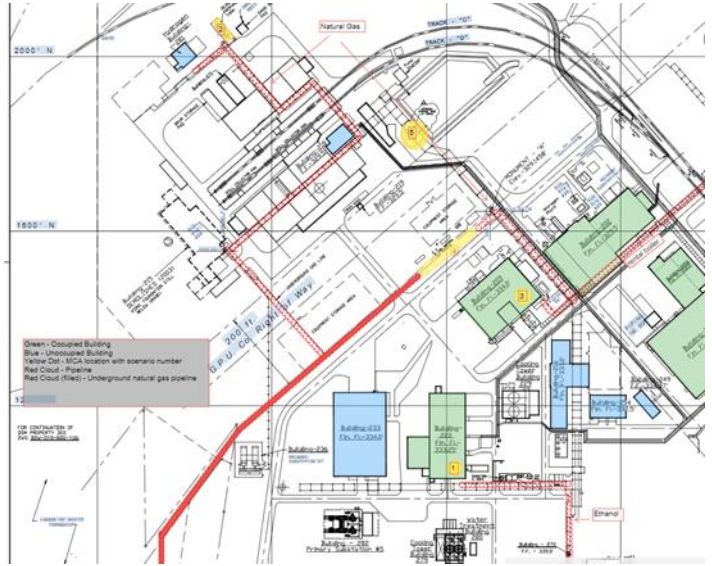
Protect people in buildings against potential consequences of major process-related incidents

“Wrong dosing, runaway”

OBRA FLOWCHART

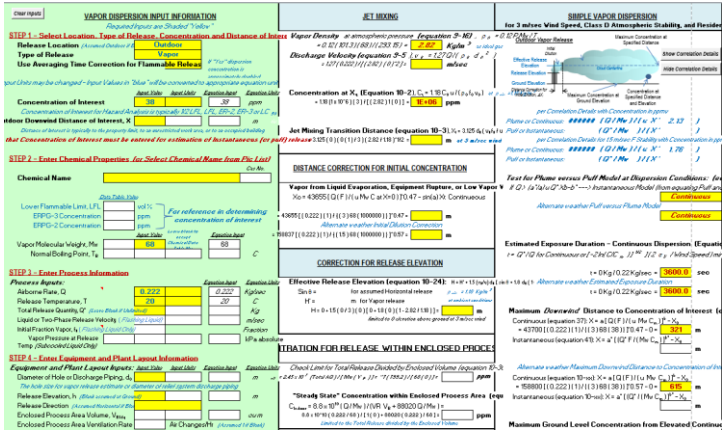
- Occupied buildings
- Hazards
- Effect calculations
- People affected
- Risk determination
- Measures
- Risk reduction

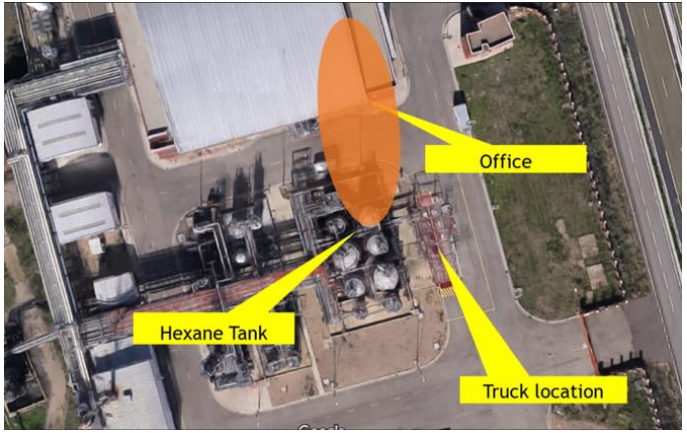




DETERMINE THE EFFECT DISTANCES BY USING TOOLS

- Expert software (e.g. PHAST, SafeSite, Effects)
- CHEF (or RAST) Excel tool –Available via CCPS and EPSC





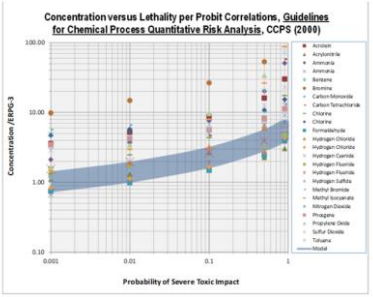
DEFINE AFFECTED NUMBER OF PEOPLE

People affected = Occupancy x vulnerability factor

Define vulnerability factor for

toxic concentration in a building

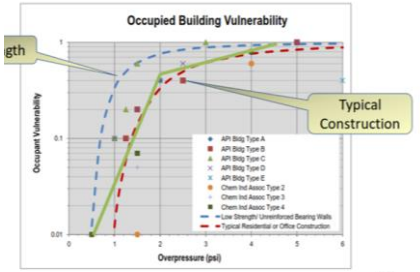
- ERPG-3 = 0%
- 5 times ERPG-3 = 100%



Define vulnerability factor for

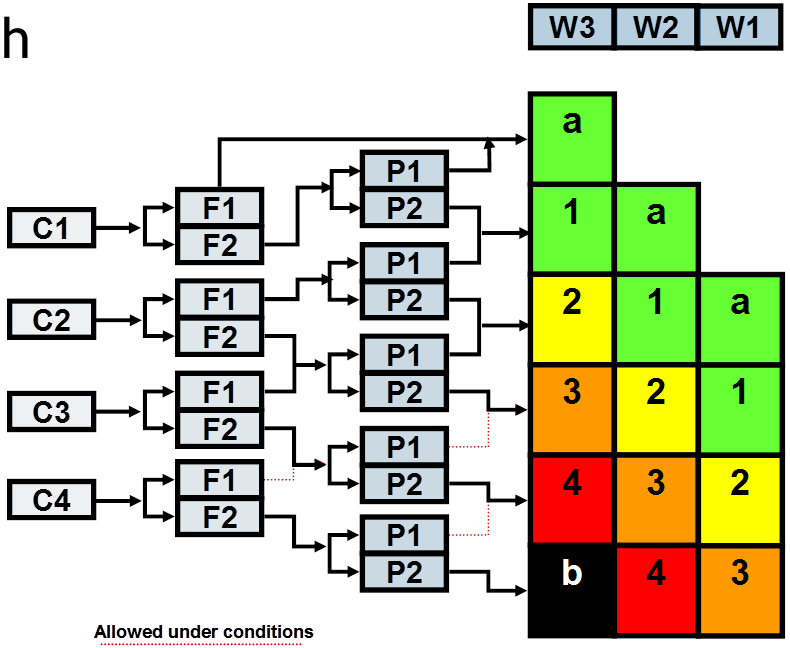
explosion pressure @ building

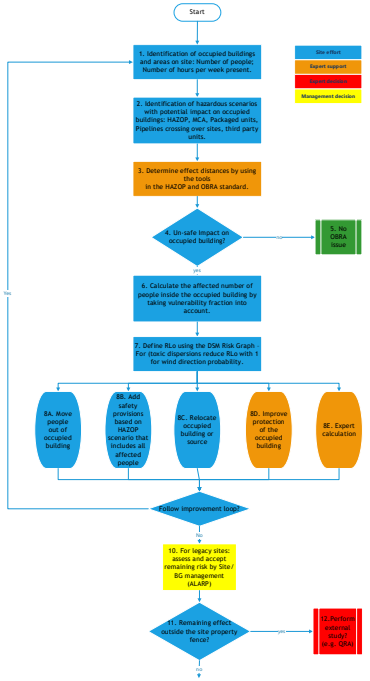
- 30 mbar = 0 %
- 300 mbar = 100%



DEFINE THE RISK

DSM RiskGraph





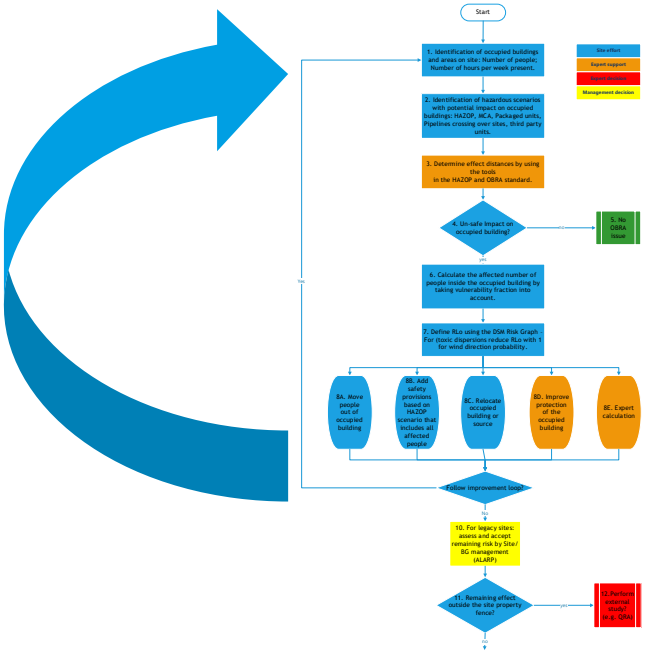
OBRA MEASURES FOR RISK GAP CLOSING

A. Move people out of occupied buildings

B. Improve/increase the safeguarding to mitigate the risk

C. Relocate the occupied building or source of the hazard

D. Modify occupied buildings



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OBRA RELATED INCIDENT

- Explosion equivalent to 15 Tonnes TNT
- 1,800 buildings within 1 mile radius damaged
- All 18 people in control room killed
- 500+ would have been killed during a weekday

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