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Prevention & Response: A Government & Industry Partnership



Introduction

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- **Government & Industry Partnership:**
 - Common goals of safe navigation and clean oceans through prevention and response
 - Complementary (mutually reinforcing) roles in terms of how to get there



Pollution Prevention – Government's Role

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- What is government's role in preventing pollution:
 - Clear rules
 - Consistent enforcement
 - Adequate infrastructure and services
 - Pre-emptive intervention
 - Encourage compliance



Pollution Prevention: Industry's Role

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- What about industry's role in preventing pollution:
 - Assist government in developing rules
 - Ensure compliance
 - Promote best practices & advanced technology
 - Education & Outreach
 - Encourage government to deliver



Pollution Response: Industry's Role

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- Turning now to **pollution response**, where partnership between government and industry is more interconnected, with several fundamental levels:
 - Ship – source Spill Response.
 - Clean-up
 - Financial liability



Pollution Response

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- Overall assessment of Canada's response regime:
 - High marks, but.....
 - Significant uncertainty arising from recent introduction of Bill C-15, Bill C-16 and Bill C-469 and how these will impact future response framework



Conclusion

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- Government & industry clearly work in partnership on pollution prevention and response
- Common goals / complementary roles
- We have tried to assess government's performance in this partnership
- Would like to see government's assessment of how industry is delivering on its side of the partnership
- System is working well, but how can we improve and do even better, and recognize the efforts of our seafarers in preventing pollution?

