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Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Office (CEPPO) Update

This is the June 29, 2001, update and it’s from EPA's Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Office (CEPPO).

Volume 1, Number 14 includes:

1. Chemical Facility Vulnerability Assessment Project
2. International HAZMAT Spills Prevention Conference, together with the EPA Region III Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Conference - Website Now Available

1. Sandia National Laboratories, under the direction of the Office of Science and Technology, National Institute of Justice (NIJ), is conducting the Chemical Facility Vulnerability Assessment (CFVA) project. This project is in response to the FY2001 Appropriations Bill, signed December 2000, which references Public Law 106-40 (Chemical Safety Information, Site Security and Fuels Regulatory Relief Act, August 1999). NIJ is to develop, test and validate a prototype VA Methodology (VAM) for assessing the security of chemical facilities (CF) against terrorist and criminal attacks. NIJ is to report to Congress, by December 21, 2001 on the findings derived from the development of the VAM. A CFVA project web site has been developed with the primary purpose of providing a means for the public and other stakeholders to provide input on this effort. For more information and to provide comments, please contact the CFVA web page. The CFVA website is linked from the Center for Civil Force Protection website http://www.nlectc.org/ccfp, or you can also access it directly at http://www.nlectc.org/ccfp/cfva.html.

2. On December 10 through 13, EPA's CEPPO office will be bringing the International HAZMAT Spills Prevention Conference, together with the EPA Region III Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Conference to Baltimore, Maryland. This will be a great opportunity to attend hands-on training and lectures on the newly-redesigned CAMEO program. The conference will also feature workshops and lectures on chemical process safety, accident prevention, emergency management and planning, case studies, and regulatory requirements. For more information, call the Conference Hotline at (800) 364-7974, or visit the new conference website http://www.2001conference.org/
North American Emergency Response Guidebooks

Requests for the North American Emergency Response Guidebooks (NAERGS) in both English and Spanish are still trickling in. Best bet? Contact your local emergency planning committee (www.dem.state.az.us/azserc) and be sure they know what your needs are. This will help in the next editions being ordered properly.

Coordinators: If you need additional copies of the ERGs, contact us and let us know.

Department of Transportation Registration

From Env Tip of the Week-Env Resource Center's Special Tip for 6/25/2001

DOT REGISTRATION IS DUE JUNE 30!

DOT requires certain persons who offer for shipment or transport hazardous materials to register and pay a fee of either $300 (small business fee) or $2,000 (other than small business fee). These registration requirements apply to anyone who offers for transportation at any time:
* Any highway route-controlled quantity of Class 7 (radioactive) materials.
* More than 25 kg (55 lb.) of a Division 1.1, 1.2, or 1.3 (explosive) material in a motor vehicle, rail car, or freight container.
* A package containing more than 1 L (1.06 qt) of a material designated by the Secretary as extremely toxic by inhalation (Division 2.3, Hazard Zone A; or Division 6.1, Packing Group I, Hazard Zone A).
* A hazardous material in a bulk packaging, container, or tank having a capacity equal to or greater than 13,248 L (3,500 gal) for liquids or gases, or more than 13.24 m3 (468 ft3) for solids.
* A shipment other than in a bulk packaging of 2,268 kg (5,000 lb.) gross weight or more of one class of hazardous materials for which placarding of a vehicle, rail car, or freight container is required
* A quantity of hazardous material that requires placarding under the provisions of 49 CFR 172 Subpart F.

If you fall into any of the regulated categories, you must submit a complete and accurate registration statement on the prescribed DOT Form 5800.2 no later than 30 June for each registration year and pay the applicable $300 or $2,000 fee. Registration is permitted for one, two, or three years on a single registration statement also with the applicable annual fee.

You may obtain a copy of this form with instructions for its completion via the Internet at http://hazmat.dot.gov/register.htm or from the following address: Hazardous Materials Registration Program, DHM-60 U.S. Department of Transportation Washington, DC 20590-0001 Telephone: (617) 494-2545 or (202) 366-4109

DOT also requires training for all hazmat employees. Visit http://www.ercweb.com/train/in

dex.html#DOT or call 1-800-557-2372, ext. 222 for additional information.

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To unsubscribe, send an e-mail with "unsubscribe tips" as the subject of the message to requests@mail.ercweb.net.

For more information on complying with EPA, OSHA, and DOT regulations, visit Environmental Resource Center's home page at http://www.ercweb.com. This site includes links to government pages with copies of the regulations.
Continuing Challenge-HazMat Workshop

Check it out. September 4-7, 2001 in Sacramento at the Radisson Hotel. Free workshops to include Pesticide Emergency Response, UFC Article 80, Basic HazCat, Chemistry of Hazardous Materials… and a bunch more. Conference registration fee for other than the free classes is $260.00. Registered participants will have priority to attend the free classes. Check it all out at www.hazmat.org or call 916-264-7147. The hotel phone number is 916-922-2020.

New Occupational Safety and Health Rule

An Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) rule on record keeping for workplace injuries is to go into effect as scheduled. Secretary of Labor Elaine L. Chao announced Friday that an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) rule on record keeping would largely go into effect as scheduled on January 1, 2002.

http://www.safetyonline.com/read/nl20010703/449931

Thanks to Patrick Ryan for the following:

Hello everyone, Attached is a link to the press release from Federal OSHA's concerning the changes to the record keeping regulations. These changes will become effective January 1, 2002. ADOSH will be conducting free classes on the new requirements beginning in August. If you are interested in attending one of these classes, please call 602-542-1769 (Phoenix) or 520-628-5478 (Tucson).

Please be sure to forward this to anyone you feel could benefit from the information.

http://www.osha.gov/media/oshnews/june01/national-20010629.html

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Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry Number Change

The following is provided for your information. Thanks to EPA HQ (Bill Finan) for forwarding the item to us.

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Beginning on June 8th and becoming effective on June 11, 2001, the telephone system at the Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry (ATSDR) will be extensively modernized. The joint CDC/ATSDR 24 hour Emergency Response Line that has been in place for over 10 years will change. For public health consultative support from ATSDR during industrial chemical emergencies, the new number is 404-498-0120. For public health consultative support from the CDC during natural disasters or oil spills, the number is 770-488-7100. The fax number for ATSDR is 404-498-0056 while the fax number for CDC remains 770-488-7107. Please help us by sharing this message with as many response organizations with an interest as possible, especially the SERCs and any LEPCs that may be convenient.”

Rich Nickle
ATSDR Emergency Response

The course is offered by the Harvard Hazardous Substance Training (HST) Program, which is supported by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health and the National Institute of Environmental Health Science. The Harvard School of Public Health is a designated site of a National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Educational Research Center (ERC) for Occupational Safety and Health.

Overview:
Advanced CAMEO is a highly effective emergency planning and prevention software tool used to conduct audits, inspections, and emergency response preparedness. CAMEO operates synergistically with two other software packages: ALOHA (air dispersion model) and MARPLOT (geographical information system).

Learn how to:
* Take full advantage of CAMEO software through hands-on training
* Use the Chemical Reactivity Worksheet
* Improve planning and prevention with integration of vital response information
* Develop your CAMEO expertise to go beyond regulatory mandates to manage the information and your emergency plans under "One Plan"

Who Should Attend:
CAMEO users who want to take the software tool to the next level of operation with more in-depth instruction and exercises, including:
* Health and safety managers
* Environmental managers
* Chemical emergency planners and responders
* Industrial hygienists
* HAZMAT teams and firefighters
* Special interest organizations
* State Emergency Response Commissions (SERCs)
* Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs)

Course Fee $450:
This course fee includes:
* Comprehensive take-home reference manual
* Harvard School of Public Health Certificate of Attendance
* Continuing Education Credit
* Participants are responsible for their own meals. A full cafeteria is available on campus.

If you wish to request a scholarship, please fax or mail the course registration form together with a letter indicating your job title and duties, how you expect the information provided in this course to benefit your organization, and how much of the course fee your employer can support, to Min Wilson, Enrollment Coordinator, Center for Continuing Professional Education. There is a non-refundable $50 deposit for all recipients of full scholarships.

Continuing Education Credits:
* American Board of Industrial Hygiene, 3.0 CM points (applied for)
* Council on Continuing Education, 2.0 CEUs (may be applied toward continuance of certification with the Board of Certified Safety Professionals)

Limited Class Size:
Class size is limited to ensure a 1:1 ratio between students and computers, as well as to ensure an effective learning process. To guarantee your space, we encourage you to register as early as possible.

Course Location:
The program takes place at the Harvard School of Public Health, located in the heart of the Harvard Longwood Medical Campus in Boston.

Ways to register:
* Mail Completed registration form and payment to:
  Harvard School of Public Health
  Center for Continuing Professional Education
  677 Huntington Ave.
  CCPE-Dept. A
  Boston, MA  02115-6096
* Online
  http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/ccpe/register.html
* Phone 617-432-1171
* Fax 617-432-1969

Checks should be mailed to the address above, with a copy of the completed registration form.
State Fire School Information

The State Fire School is held yearly and is a state wide fire training school. There will be twenty-seven classes offered this year. It is a four day class beginning on September sixth and runs through the ninth. There will be two days of class and two days of hands on. Classes will be held in the East Valley. Contact the State Fire Marshal’s Office at 602-255-4964 for more information.

Environmental Protection Agency Consent Agreement

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has filed a Consent Agreement and Consent Order. This settles a Civil Complaint, alleging that a facility in Arizona failed to submit Toxic Release Inventory reports (Form Rs) to the EPA and the State of Arizona for the years 1996, 1997 and 1998. The negotiated penalty in the Consent Agreement and Consent Order is $82,442. Please call Adam Browning, TRI Program Officer, at 415-744-1121 if you have compliance concerns.

Environmental Protection Agency Hotline Numbers & Web Site

We've lost the 1-800-535-0202 HOTLINE number. 1-800-424-9346 works fine and the following web site takes you right there: http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hotline/

Let’s Hear From You!

Please keep us up to date on your contact information. Your comments and contributions are needed. Please let our editor in chief: Anthony Cox, Administrative Secretary I, know at CoxA@dem.state.az.us

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