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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

THURSDAY, October 19, 2006

<http://www.main.org/awmactc/index.htm>

TOPIC: SPCC Rules and Guidance: Past, Present and Future

SPEAKERS: Polly Johnson is a member of the senior staff of Cook-Joyce, Inc. and has over 16 years of experience in environmental consulting in Texas. Ms. Johnson has been actively following the SPCC rule revisions over the past 4 years and has maintained an ongoing dialogue with the EPA Oil Program personnel in both the Dallas and Washington, D.C. offices. Ms. Johnson is a past-chair of the Central Texas Chapter and graduated from Texas Tech University with an M.S. in Civil Engineering.

OVERVIEW: In 2002, the EPA substantially re-wrote the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Rules contained in 40 CFR Part 112. In response to industry outcry, the EPA subsequently has extended the deadlines for compliance with the rule revisions; issued interpretive guidance to further clarify the intent of certain rule provisions; and proposed to amend the rule to, among other things, define certain categories of oil-containing equipment and provide flexibility in the containment requirements for oil-containing operating equipment. The EPA expects to finalize the amendment before the end of 2006. Ms. Johnson will provide an overview of the current status and implications of the SPCC rules; pending rule revisions; recently published guidance; and recent case law that affects rule applicability. Additionally, Ms. Johnson will share insights that she has gained from EPA Oil Program personnel over the past 4 years and some of the site-specific challenges that she has encountered.

SPONSOR: Cook-Joyce is an environmental engineering and consulting firm headquartered in Austin. CJI also maintains an office in San Antonio. CJI was founded in 1983 and is a small business concern. CJI offers a broad spectrum of environmental services in the areas of solid, hazardous and radioactive waste, water and wastewater, air quality, pollution prevention, environmental assessment, and remediation technology.

TIMES: 5:30-6:00 p.m. – Reception and Meal
6:00-6:10 p.m. – Chapter Business
6:10-7:00 p.m. – Presentation

LOCATION: 301 Congress Avenue, Room 360, Northeast Corner of 3rd and Congress.

RSVP: If you plan on attending the meeting, please send your RSVP to Mary Etter at mary.etter@lcra.org or 473-3247

UPCOMING EVENTS

ICE Meeting

Ethics

October 19, 2006, 9:30 a.m.

Doubletree Club Hotel at MLK, Austin, TX

The Industry Council on the Environment (ICE) will be holding its October 19th meeting at the Doubletree Club Hotel in Austin. Susan Zachos, of Kelly Hart & Hallman LLP, will be speaking on ethics. For additional information on the meeting and speakers, visit www.ice-texas.org. RSVPs are required for this ethics presentation.

Integrated Control Strategies: Achieving a Greater Benefit

November 16-17, 2006

Research Triangle Park, NC

This A&WMA conference is designed to provide the latest information regarding efforts by the EPA and environmental professionals to develop integrated multi-pollutant policies as well as tools and strategies regarding the nature of air quality management. For additional information, visit

<http://www.awma.org/events/confs/intergrated%20strategies/integratedstrategies.asp>.

UST Management & Compliance Assistance Seminar

December 12, 2006

Austin Marriott North, Round Rock, TX

The TCEQ will be hosting a UST seminar at the Austin Marriott North in Round Rock, Texas. This seminar is



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focused on smaller owners/operators of UST systems. Information will be provided on the various equipment and methodologies necessary to monitor UST systems. Continuing education credit will be available for professional engineers as well as those holding A/B licenses. For additional information, contact Diane Stallings at 512-239-6333 or visit <http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/assets/public/admin/events/12-06ust.pdf>.

CENTRAL TEXAS CHAPTER NEWS

Purchasing Sources Sought

Dr. Eric Bliss, teacher of Westlake High School's advanced placement environmental science class, has broadcast a request for assistance with purchasing a variety of laboratory and field work supplies. Additional information on the class and Dr. Bliss' contact information can be found at : <http://eanes.tx.schoolwebpages.com/education/staff/staff.php?sectionid=510>.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2006. We would like to thank Jackson Walker L.L.P. for sponsoring our September meeting. Thank you for your support!

Job Opening Announcements

As a service to our members and member companies, the CTC of A&WMA will from time to time forward to its mailing list available job openings in the area. Contacts for the posted position are provided; please do not contact A&WMA regarding these positions. If in the future, your company has an open position in the environmental field that you wish to have forwarded to our mailing list, please send a brief job description and contact information to our Chapter chair, Joe Hossley, at Joe.Hossley@rmtinc.com.

Exciting Opportunities await A&WMA Volunteers

The Chapter has many exciting events planned for the coming year, but as always, we need your help to make them happen. If you are interested in working with us on

any of the programs, please contact our Chapter Chair, Joe Hossley, at Joe.Hossley@rmtinc.com.

LOCAL AND STATE NEWS

TCEQ to Offer Brochure to Assist Public in Participating in the Permitting Process

The TCEQ is providing a free guide to the public with information on how the permitting process regarding water quality, waste, and air applications work. The guide will be published in both English and Spanish. Information regarding the guide can be found at: http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/comm_exec/forms_pubs/pubs/gi/gi-233.html

ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS OF THE WEIRD

We Didn't Plan for That

When 35 Greenpeace activists rushed onto the floor of the International Petroleum Exchange to paralyze oil trading for the day, they got more than they planned for. Several traders punched and kicked the activists until they ran for their lives. Said one activist, "I've never seen anyone less amenable to listening to our point of view." Times UK. <http://www.timesonline.co.uk/article/0,,2-1487741,00.html>



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Membership in the Chapter

To join the Chapter, please complete and return the membership form available from the [Chapter web site](http://www.main.org/awmactc/) (www.main.org/awmactc/) or contact our Chapter Secretary, Mary Etter, at 512-473-3247 or mary.etter@lcra.org. If you wish to join both the Central Texas Chapter and A&WMA International, contact A&WMA headquarters in Pittsburgh at 1-800-270-3444. Membership in the Chapter is \$25 (\$10 for full-time students).

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