



Hello, Penn-Jersey, and welcome to the June/July 2015 newsletter. In this edition, you'll find information on the following:

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President's Corner

Enjoy your Summer Fun and Have a Safe Day!

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What's New

ASSE News - Calling all Speakers to Safety 2016!! We hope you will consider submitting a proposal to speak at next year's conference in Atlanta, Georgia, June 26-29, 2016. Proposal submission instructions can be found at <http://sgiz.mobi/s3/Safety-2016-Call-for-Presenters>. The deadline to submit is July 15, 2015.

ASSE Local Chapter News – Calling all members! Be on the lookout for an annual planning survey coming your way. We want to know the technical session topics you're interested in seeing this upcoming year. Please take a few minutes to provide your feedback to ensure a great year for networking and professional development.

For Planning purposes, The Governors' Award Dinner will be held on April 19, 2016.

Congratulations to Shaundree Davis, CSP who recently passed the CIH exam and her selection as the ASSE Region VIII Metro Area Director!

OSHA News – Revised Hazard Communication rules now in effect. As of June 1, chemical manufacturers, importers, distributors and employers are required to provide a common approach to classifying chemicals and communicating hazard information on labels and safety data sheets.

Upcoming Events

The Northern NJ Federal Safety & Health Council, in partnership with the NJLWD and the Atlantic OSHA Training Center, are pleased to announce the next round of free and low cost training programs.

OSHA COURSE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. OSHA 10 Hour General Industry Certificate Program – 2 day course, Thursday, October 8th, and Thursday, October 15th, 2015. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Location is the PSE&G Conference Center, 234 Pierson Ave, Edison, NJ. Time for each day – 9:00am to 3:30pm.
2. OSHA 10 Hour Construction Industry Certificate Program – 2 day course, Friday, October 9th and Friday, October 16th, 2015. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Location is the PSE&G Conference Center, 234 Pierson Ave, Edison, NJ. Time for each day – 9:00am to 3:30pm.
3. OSHA 7600 Disaster Site Worker Certificate Program – 3 day course, Friday, October 30th, November 6th, and November 13th, 2015. Please note, you must have either an OSHA 10 hour or OSHA 30 hour card to attend the program. There is no charge.

To register, please send an e-mail to: lento.lou@dol.gov The above courses are limited to the first 30 enrollees. If you are interested in attending free training meetings, you can join the Northern NJ Federal Safety & Health Council. The Council members meet 4 times a year from 9 am to 12 noon. The meetings consist of the Flag Salute, Introduction of Attendees, the OSHA Update, and at least 2 training topics. There is also time for

networking and perusing the display tables. For additional information e-mail: lento.lou@dol.gov
Upcoming meetings will be held on Wed, September 9th, and November 18th, 2015.

No Local Chapter Technical Sessions until September Meeting – We meet the third Tuesday of the month starting back up on Sep 15th. Our next presenter will be covering an ergonomic topic. The meeting will be at Villa Mannino Restaurant, 73 Route 130, in Bordentown, New Jersey. Registration will begin at 5:30 PM at a cost of \$30. Technical sessions can be used for 0.08 COC points under “Continuing Education Courses/Seminars” per BCSP’s *Continuance of Certification Guide*.

More details to follow so mark your calendars and we look forward to seeing you!

App of the Month

CDC eCards

By Centers For Disease Control and Prevention. This health and fitness App was designed as a way for users to send greetings on the go. The application will allow users to send health eCards directly from their iPhone or iPad touch to friends, family and loved ones. Based on CDC’s successful eCards website (www.cdc.gov/ecards) this application will feature popular eCards and timely updates to coincide with important health events throughout the year, including American Heart Month, Flu Season, the Great American Smokeout and others. Check it out at the App Store.

Info

EPA Seeks Input on Modernizing the Risk Management Plan (RMP) Rule

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites small businesses, governments, and not-for-profit organizations to participate as Small Entity Representatives (SERs) for a Small Business Advocacy Review (SBAR)

Panel. This panel will focus on the Agency’s development of a rule that proposes to modify the current Risk Management Plan (RMP) regulation to reduce the likelihood of accidental releases of toxic and flammable substances at chemical facilities, and improve emergency response when those releases occur. This aligns with Executive Order 13650 entitled Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security (EO 13650) that President Obama signed on August 1, 2013. EO 13650 directs the federal government to carry out a number of tasks whose overall aim is to prevent chemical accidents. These tasks include: improving operational coordination with state and local partners; enhancing Federal agency coordination and information sharing; modernizing policies, regulations and standards; and working with stakeholders to identify best practices.

The panel will include federal representatives from the Small Business Administration (SBA), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and EPA. The panel members ask a selected group of SERs to provide advice and recommendations on behalf of their company, community, or organization to inform the panel members about the potential impacts of the proposed rule on small entities.

EPA seeks self-nominations directly from the small entities that may be subject to the rule requirements. Other representatives, such as trade associations that exclusively or at least primarily represent potentially regulated small entities, may also serve as SERs.

Self-nominations may be submitted through the link below and must be received by July 3, 2015.

Nominate yourself as a

SER: <http://www.epa.gov/rfa/risk-management-plan.html>

More information about the RMP

rule: <http://www2.epa.gov/rmp>

Have Something to Share with the Chapter?

Contact our newsletter editor, Cynthia Baldwin at chiefbee25@gmail.com.

Be Safe!