

2006 CHLOREP Seminar Demonstrates Joint Commitment of Shippers/Railroads/ ER Contractors to ER Training

As part of the Chlorine Institute's (CI) commitment to continuous improvement, each year it holds a seminar to train responders in its Chlorine Emergency Plan (CHLOREP). CHLOREP is a mutual aid program to provide an organized and effective system for responding to chlorine emergencies in the United States and Canada. It operates on a 24-hour, 7 day a week basis with established phone contacts. CHLOREP Teams are comprised of member company employees who are activated by CHEMTREC® whenever a chlorine emergency is reported.

The CHLOREP program works thanks to the committed efforts of producers, packagers and emergency response contractors. Each participating company takes responsibility for responding in one or more assigned geographic sectors. These efforts are strengthened by a network of emergency response contractors across the country that provides a high level of response expertise.



The 2006 CHLOREP Seminar took place in Houston during early November and included information on tank car damage assessment and case studies of real world situations.

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2007 Responsible Care® Conference

Looking for new information on Emergency Response, Responsible Care, Management Systems and Supply Chain Stewardship? Come join the Responsible Care Conference May 6 -9th in Miami, Florida.

Check out the exciting session on *Emergency Preparedness and Response in Action*:

Emergency Preparedness and Response in Action - Sometimes the big event happens – despite our best efforts to prevent it. This session intends to focus on actual events that have happened involving chemicals in the past – and the learnings derived from these experiences. In addition,

implementation of the RCMS® and the Responsible Care Security Code have created additional focus on validating emergency preparedness and plans for mitigation – for events ranging from process to pandemic to terrorist. Learn what others have done and are doing to be prepared.

To see the full agenda and/or to register for the conference please go to: <http://guest.event.com/EVENTS/Info/Summary.aspx?e=3d1ecc6a-aa56-44e8-89b7-310cec891f4c>. If you have any question about the conference or exhibiting at the conference please contact Amy_Borck@americanchemistry.com.

2006 NS TRANSCAER Whistle Stop Tour

Norfolk Southern Railway sponsored the 2006 TRANSCAER Whistle Stop Tour during the week of September 18th through the 21st. The train traveled over 800 rail miles in three states with stops in five cities (Baltimore, MD, Harrisburg, PA, Pittsburgh, PA, Columbus, OH, and Cincinnati, OH).

The Norfolk Southern Whistle Stop provides free hazardous materials training to local emergency responders at all the stops. This year's train consisted of two locomotives, four classroom cars, and two training tank cars which provide valve cutaways and hands-on training in emergency response to tank car accidents. In addition, a trucking company, US DOT, PCS Phosphates, DuPont, the Firefighter Education and Training Foundation, React Environmental, Sunpro, HMHTTC, other emergency contractors, and various responder organizations contributed resources, had tents and/or booths to provide training and information.



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KCS Offers Hazmat Training to Responders

Following a successful round of training in Shreveport, La. on November 8 and 9, KCS offered hazardous materials training to emergency responders in Laredo, TX on November 30. Topics included emergency contacts, tank car damage assessment, how to approach a rail accident, securing rail

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This year's seminar included valuable input from those who are active participants in the program and from railroad hazmat experts. The railroad experts included:

- ◆ Tim O'Brien of the Union Pacific who provided a very practical segment on tank car damage assessment. He also provided in layman's terms an understanding of what to look for in approaching a tank car incident.
- ◆ Mike Lunsford of CSX reviewed an incident in Central Square NY in which several CHLOREP participants had been involved. He highlighted the successful cooperation between producers and the railroad in mitigating the impact of the incident.



One of the workshops held during the seminar was hosted by emergency response contractors that have completed the CHLOREP Verification Process. These contractors shared their "real world" experiences regarding actual incidents to which they have responded. Seminar participants worked through these "real world" scenarios to gain experience in the decision making process that would be used during an incident.

CI thanks the industry experts that participated during the CHLOREP Seminar. Because of their participation, all of the attendees were able to benefit from extensive knowledge of hazmat transportation. This added greatly to the overall training experience.

The trust built and experience shared through forums such as the CHLOREP Seminar will result in more rapid and effective responses. These events facilitate the sharing of experience before an incident happens and are critical to the successful execution of an emergency plan if an incident should occur. Furthermore, the cooperation and commitment demonstrated to this training by both the railroads and emergency response contractors is critical to mitigating consequences when an incident occurs.



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The training schedule consisted of Radioactive Material Instrumentation - Detection Equipment; Using the Emergency Response Guidebook; Tank Car Recognition; Intermodal Portable Tanks; Cargo Tank Overview; Polymerization; Placarding; Selecting the Correct PPE; Air Monitoring Issues at a Derailment; Post Response Recovery Issues; Derailment Safety for First Responders; Managing a Derailment; Locomotive Fires; and Operation Lifesaver. Set up started at each of location by 7 am with opening remarks beginning at 9 am. Workshops ran from 9:30am to 3 pm at each location.

The response was excellent. NS trained over 1,000 emergency responders during this week.

Norfolk Southern has operated seven TRANSCAER Whistle Stops since 1994 and has a 2007 Whistle Stop tour in the planning stages which would make stops in AL, GA and MS.

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hazmat data for planning, emergency locomotive shutdown, spill mitigation techniques and other related topics. As part of the training, KCS provides a safety train with one locomotive and four specially-equipped cars for hands on training. The consist includes high and low pressure cars, a car with a variety of manways to demonstrate the handling of leaks caused by non-accident releases, and a boxcar to serve as a classroom.

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