Railroad Emergency Response and Hazardous Materials Awareness Training

BNSF RAILWAY in conjunction with TransCAER® (Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response) is pleased to present a FREE railroad familiarization course for community emergency responders. The course is taught from a rail industry and hazardous materials perspective. This is to ensure that participants receive a better understanding of the hazardous materials regulations that apply to land transportation and in particular, to the railroad industry. This 4 hour course consists of two sections, a class room presentation and a hands on section working with valves and appurtenances from railroad tank cars.

TOPICS:

- •Safety Considerations While Working Around a Railroad
- •Flagging Procedures to Stop a Train
- •Emergency Contact Phone Numbers and Methods
- Specialized Equipment and Resources
- •Types of Hazardous Materials Transported
- •Shipping Papers Used in Transportation of Hazardous Materials
- •Understanding and Use of a Train List
- Hazardous Classification Review
- •Risk Analysis and Traffic Flow
- •Railroad's Role in the Incident Command System
- •Types of Railroad Cars and Locomotive Safety Considerations
- Damage Assessment
- •Different Types of Crude Oil Transportation via Rail
- •Properties of Crude Oil
- Emergency Response Considerations
- •Industrial Firefighting Considerations
- •Tank Car Construction and Safety Features
- Railcar Nomenclature
- •Tank Car Valve and Fittings
- Locomotive Hazards
- •Locomotive Emergency Shut Down Procedures

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT required for hands-on workshop. Solid shoes, preferably high-top boots are recommended and full length pants are required. No sandals are permitted. Gloves are optional, but recommended. Depending on the location of the training equipment in a rail yard facility, hard hats and safety glasses may be required.









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