



Iowa Chapter

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GREETINGS!

The October meeting at the Ox Yoke was very informative and thought provoking, especially for those of us that are involved with property transfer site assessments (Phase I ESAs). Nathan Quaglia from EDR's Chicago office gave an excellent presentation on EPA's All Appropriate Inquiry rule that was proposed in the Federal Register on August 26, 2004 at 69FR52541 – 52581. Once promulgated, this rule could significantly impact Phase I ESAs and also the available relief under CERCLA for property owners and purchasers.

One of the most controversial parts of the proposed rule is the definition of "environmental professional". Since Phase I ESAs will be required to be certified by an "environmental professional", the character of these assessments may change. For more information about the rule, please go to the Iowa AWMA Chapter website to view Nathan Quaglia's presentation.

NOVEMBER'S MEETING

In November we return to our usual "second Tuesday of the month" meeting schedule. The November gathering starts with an Air Quality Workshop in the afternoon in which a representative from IDNR will discuss Title V permitting, SPARS, Small Unit Exemptions, and other air quality issues that are likely of interest to all of us. The regular meeting will convene at 7:00 PM after dinner. Tentatively, Art Spraelin from EPA is scheduled.

The workshop is a great opportunity to get the latest information about the Air Quality Program in Iowa. One of the main features of this workshop will be a Question and Answer session in which questions from the membership will be discussed. IDNR has requested that all questions be provided in advance. In this newsletter is a **Questions for IDNR** form. **If you have an air quality question that you would like IDNR to respond to, please complete the form and E-mail it as a Wordä document to Steve Van Ootegham (spvanootegham@terracon.com) by no later than 12:00 PM Friday November 5, 2004.** The questions will be forwarded to Catharine Fitzsimmons so that responses can be prepared for the November 9 workshop.

If you intend to come to the workshop, dinner, meeting, or any combination, please RSVP to Steve Van Ootegham at spvanootegham@terracon.com by Friday, November 5 so that reservations can be made at the Holiday Inn for dinner. The cost is \$15 for AWMA members and \$18 for nonmembers. A map to the Holiday Inn is provided on Page 4 of this newsletter. The Holiday Inn is located across the street from the Ox Yoke Restaurant.

NOVEMBER 9, 2004 AWMA MEETING AGENDA

When	Where	Agenda
TOPIC – AIR QUALITY WORKSHOP		
Tuesday, November 9, 2004	Holiday Inn, Amana, Iowa I-80 at Amana Colonies Exit 225 (See included map on page 4)	2:00 – 3:15 – AQ Workshop - Catharine Fitzsimmons and Staff from IDNR’s Air Quality Bureau 3:15 – 3:35 – Break 3:35 – 5:00 – Continuation of Workshop 5:00 – Social Hour 6:00 – Dinner 7:00 – Speaker – Art Spraelin, EPA (Tentative)

FUTURE MEETINGS

Please don't forget that there will not be an Iowa Chapter meeting in December. This is the time for the holiday break. We will resume regular monthly meetings on January 11, 2005. Please see the Future Meeting Schedule below.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	TOPIC	LOCATION
December 2004	HOLIDAY BREAK – No Meeting	-----
January 11, 2005	Homeland Security – Implications for Env. Mgmt.	Amana
February 8, 2005	SPCC or VOC Measurement	Amana
March 8	To be announced	Amana

ANNUAL DUES

We still don't have annual dues from everyone. Don't forget that the annual dues for the Iowa Chapter have increased from \$10 to \$15. This was based on a unanimous vote by those present at the late summer board meeting. Please make arrangements for your payments as soon as possible and remember, if you are a National Member, your local chapter dues are already covered.

REGULATIONS UPDATE

Last month we added this feature to the newsletter. Each month important new regulations or changes to existing regulations will be highlighted here. We will include State of Iowa and Federal regulations, proposed regulations, or guidance and policy documents. If any of you have suggested additions to this list please let us know so that we can include them. E-mail your suggestions to spvanootegham@terracon.com.

September 17 – The comment period for the Brownfield All Appropriate Inquiry rule: was extended from October 25, 2004 to November 30, 2004. See 69FR56016 – 56017

September 20 – EPA announces the availability of information that might be relevant to determining whether alternate regulatory requirements for facilities with oil-filled and process equipment under the Clean Water Act would be appropriate. See 69FR56184 – 56185.

September 22 – EPA promulgated the final rule for Air Quality Classifications for the 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards at 69FR56697 – 56711.

September 23 – EPA announces approval and promulgation of changes to the Iowa State Implementation Plan (SIP) at 69FR 56942 – 56949.

October 19 – EPA publishes Recent Posting to the Applicability Determination Index (ADI) Database System of Agency Applicability Determinations, Alternative Monitoring Decisions, and Regulatory Interpretations Pertaining to Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants, and the Stratospheric Ozone Protection Program at 69FR61476 – 61482.

OTHER NEWS

[NSR Reform Workgroup](#)

In May 2004 IDNR created a workgroup to assist with rulemaking activities related to the adoption and implementation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) and Nonattainment New Source Review (NSR) reform rule. The department has until January 2, 2006 to adopt the new federal rules and submit the revisions for incorporation into the state implementation plan.

The Workgroup was divided into subgroups that will provide rulemaking recommendations on plantwide applicability limits (PALs), baseline actual emissions, and pollution control projects/clean units. The goal of the group has been to make recommendations to the Department for rule adoption by Fall 2004.

On October 27 the final meeting of the New Source Review Reform Work Group will be convened at the IDNR Air Quality Bureau offices in Des Moines. The purpose of this meeting is to summarize and review how Iowa will implement the NSR Reform regulations that were promulgated in December 2002. Information about this Workgroup is available on IDNR's Air Quality Bureau website. Go to <http://www.iowadnr.com/air/index.html> and click on NSR Reform Workgroup.

[EPA Readies Chemical Information Database; Public Release Date Expected in Late 2005](#)

The Environmental Protection Agency hopes to have ready for use by late 2005 a publicly available database containing a wealth of toxicity and environmental fate data on thousands of High Production Volume chemicals, an agency official said Oct. 18. Todd Holderman, acting chief of EPA's Science Information Branch, said the initial design, development, and testing of the system, known as the High Production Volume Chemical Information System (HPVIS), is nearly complete.

The database is being created under the voluntary HPV Challenge Program launched in 1999 under the Toxic Substances Control Act to assemble data on 2,800 chemicals produced in high volume in the United States.

NEWSLETTER SUGGESTIONS

If any of you have suggestions for the Newsletter, please don't hesitate to submit them. In the interest of being informative and getting the best use of this monthly circulation, any good idea will be considered. Any topics or suggestions that will benefit the Chapter should be submitted to: spvanooteqham@terracon.com.

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