



Iowa Chapter September 1999 Newsletter
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The 1999-2000 Schedule of Events

The 1999-2000 Board of Directors met in July to determine meeting dates and program topics for the upcoming AWMA year. The Board has scheduled more workshops in the upcoming year to continue improving the educational function of the Iowa Chapter that was expanded last year. This year, four workshops in conjunction with the evening meetings are planned. Save this edition of the newsletter to keep the dates and topics handy.

Suggestions for topics, speakers, and newsletter articles are always welcome. If you have a particular need or idea, contact one of the chapter officers and let them know what it is. Every effort to include them in the next program schedule or newsletter will be made.

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EPA Proposes Reduction in Reporting Threshold for Lead

In the August 3, 1999 Federal Register (64 FR 42221), EPA proposed a rule to significantly lower the reporting threshold for lead and lead compounds under SARA 313 TRI reporting. Currently lead is reportable if more than 25,000 pounds are manufactured or processed annually or more than 10,000 pounds are otherwise used.

EPA's proposal would reduce the threshold reporting level to 10 pounds and eliminate the de minimus reporting exemption for lead. Other threshold levels considered in the proposal were 1, 100 and 1,000 pounds. EPA failed to include lead and lead compounds in its January 5 proposed rule regarding bioaccumulative and toxic substances (64 FR 688), but they consider lead and lead compounds to be bioaccumulative. EPA has determined that 15,043 industries will be affected by this rule at a first year cost of \$116,000,000 and \$60,000,000 annually thereafter. Comments on this proposal are due September 17, 1999. The text can be accessed at: www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fedreg/a990803c.html

Reminder to Pay Iowa Chapter Dues

Please pay your Iowa Chapter AWMA dues for the 1999-2000 year if you do not have a national AWMA membership.

Local dues are \$10.00 payable to Air and Waste Management Association

You may mail your dues to Otto Rajtora, Treasurer, or pay at the September meeting.

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You may wish to review your waste streams and materials for lead content to determine if this proposal applies to your facility. A few tenths of a mg/l of lead in wastewater influent could put you over the reporting level. Industrial wastewater treatment plants and industries that process steel or cast iron may find that a small quantity of manufactured product leads to the "manufacturing" of 10 pounds of lead compounds, particularly hydroxides and oxides.

RMP Program Update

On August 5, 1999 the President signed into law the Chemical Safety Information, Site Security and Fuels Regulatory Relief Act. This act has two separate parts: flammable fuels and public access to OCA.

Flammable Fuels: Flammable fuels used as fuel or held for sale as fuel at a retail facility are no longer covered under the RMP Program. Flammable fuels used for feedstock or held for sale at a wholesale facility are still covered.

Public Access to OCA: When facilities submitted their risk management plans (RMP) to EPA in June, the RMP included off-site consequence analysis (OCA) data. The Act restricts public availability of the OCA data for one year. Therefore, OCA data is not currently posted on the Internet with the other RMP data. The federal government is to access the risks and benefits of Internet access to OCA data. Regulations on public access are to be published by the August 5, 2000 deadline.

The Act also imposes a new requirement that facilities must conduct a public meeting to provide information about the local implications of the RMP, including the OCA. The facility must notify the FBI by June 5, 2000 that the meeting was held within one year before or six months after August 5, 1999. Facilities must also tell EPA if OCA was distributed to the public without restrictions.

***AWMA Iowa Chapter 1999-2000
Chapter Meeting Dates and Program Topics***

Amana Holiday Inn, 5:00 Social, 6:00 Dinner

RSVP by Friday before meeting

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**Tuesday, September 14: Future Goals for the IDNR and EPA Region VII
What Can Industry Expect in the Future?**

**Guest Speakers: Paul Johnson, Director, Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources,
Art Spratlin, Division Director, EPA Region VII-Air, RCRA & Toxics**

Upcoming...

October 12 Workshop: 2:30-5:00 PM; Fundamentals of Stack Testing: Test Methods, Laboratory Analysis, and Calculations

Evening Program: 7:00-8:00 PM; Air Quality Programs Update

November 9 Workshou: Solid Waste Recycling and Disposal

Evening Program: Iowa's Tire Recovery, Recycling, and Disposal Program

January 12, 2000: Workshop: Iowa State Permitting and Air Reporting System (SPARS)

Evening Program: Iowa's Air Monitoring Program and Requirements

March 14 Evening Program: Alcoa's Davenport Works, Water Treatment and Computer Control System

May 9 Workshoe: Topic's of Interest in Iowa's Water Quality

Evening Program: AWMA Iowa Chapter Officer and Board Elections and Water Quality Topic