

Regulatory Affairs Newsletter

Supporting compliance in the areas of environmental, safety, health, and product stewardship

*Fisher Scientific International
Regulatory Affairs Group*

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REPORTING DEADLINE

INVENTORY UPDATE RULE (IUR)

Due between Aug. 25 and Dec. 23

All Fisher Scientific-owned businesses must provide to Lisa DuMars a copy of the submitted report or communication to confirm reporting was not required. Additional information is found on page 5.

If you have any questions regarding this reporting requirement, please contact Lisa DuMars. Her contact information is found on page 6.



BUREAU OF NATIONAL AFFAIRS (BNA) SPILL REPORTING WEB SITE UPDATE

The BNA spill reporting has been changed. Replace your old link with www.esweb.bna.com. This link also been updated on the ESH intranet site.

Web-based training on use of the BNA spill reporting web site is available. Contact David McAdams (contact information on page 6) for additional information.

2006 REGULATORY AFFAIRS CONFERENCE RECAP

The 2006 Regulatory Affairs Conference took place September 12 to 14 at the Westin Hotel in downtown Pittsburgh, PA. The conference opened with an evening reception at the Westin Hotel. This year the conference was expanded from a two track format to a five track format. This allowed for the attendees to choose between five different classes for each one hour time slot throughout the two and half days. Classes ranged from presentation skills, environmental regulation updates, import/export issues, the new material safety data sheet program, accident investigation, to CPR and first aid certifications.

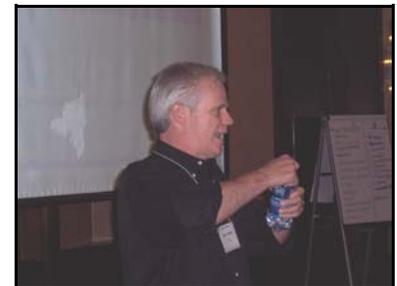
The conference closed with the 2006 Fisher Environmental, Safety, and Health (F.E.S.H.) Accomplishment Awards ceremony in the morning of September 14. The awards included: Injury Reduction - Cole-Parmer; Chemical Spill Reduction - Richard-Allan Scientific; ESH Training Completion - Fisher Diagnostics; ESH Audit Closure - USDO-Denver; and Regulatory Agency Interaction - USDO-Chino.



Renard Hoffman, Regional Operations Manager, accepting the F.E.S.H. award for USDO-Chino.



American Safety & Health Institute CPR/AED training session



Don Collins, ESH Coordinator from Fairlawn, presenting Best Management Practice for bottles issues.



Dinner at the Grand Concourse



“Plan B” activity for Tuesday



Tuesday's General Session. Approximately 90 people in attendance throughout the conference.

As the Regulatory Affairs Department reviewed the comment forms received, it appeared the format, location, classes, key note speaker, and evening activities (despite the weather) were well received. It was also noted that overall ending classes earlier in the day to allow time to catch up on emails and have some personal time before the evening activities would be appreciated for next year. It is not too late to send in your comment forms. Please send them to Jill Asti, contact information on page 6, no later than the end of October. Or if you need a new copy, Jill can provide that to you. We use the comments received to improve the format of next year's conference.

The Regulatory Affairs Department would like to extend a special thank you to all who attended, presented, and coordinated this year's conference. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

END OF DAYLIGHT SAVINGS SIGNALS HOME INSPECTION REMINDERS

As you change your clocks back an hour on Oct. 29, remember these helpful tips to keep you and your family safe and prepare for the colder weather.

- ✓ **Check and replace smoke alarm batteries**
Replace any smoke alarms older than ten years.
- ✓ **Prepare a disaster supply kit for your house**
(*water, food, flashlights, batteries, blankets*)

Once you've created your home disaster kit, use the semi-annual time change to check its contents (*including testing/replacing flashlight batteries*).

- ✓ **Make a "winter car-emergency kit" now and put in your vehicle!**

(Don't know what to include? Do an Internet search for "car emergency kit" and you'll find lots of ideas!)

Remember: It's a good idea to carry a *car-emergency kit* in your car year-round, but be sure to add cold-weather gear to your general car-emergency kit each fall. (*Having a separate duffle/gear bag clearly marked "Cold Gear" specifically for your cold weather emergency gear makes it easy to add or take out of the car, seasonally.*)

In cold weather, even a very minor car problem or flat tire can be deadly serious, or at the very least, *miserable* to deal with, unless you're well prepared.

- ✓ **Check and discard expired medications - those dates really DO have meaning**
Some very common over-the-counter medications can cause *serious* problems due to change through aging.

- ✓ **Check home and outbuilding storage areas for hazardous materials.**

Discard (*properly, please*) any which are outdated, no longer used, or in poor condition. Move any which are within reach of kids or pets.

TOOL FOR NEW MANIFESTS

A hazardous waste manifest training video was prepared by the University of Wisconsin Extension Service in its role as a partner in the Printers' National Environmental Assistance Center (PNEAC). This video introduces the new manifest form, highlights the differences between the new and the previous manifest form, and provides specific instructions to generators, transporters as well as treatment, storage, and disposal facilities. A link to the video is found below.

<http://www.pneac.org/hazwastemanifest/>

Funding was provided by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, Compliance Assistance Centers program. Review and assistance was provided by the Printing Industries of America/ Graphic Arts Technical Foundation and the Illinois Waste Management and Research Center.

ELECTRONIC WASTE (E-WASTE) MANAGEMENT

If it is not managed properly, most, if not all, electronic waste could meet EPA's definition of hazardous waste. Electronic components contain hazardous materials such as mercury, lead, and cadmium, which must be disposed of properly.



What should you do?

Assess the Equipment You Have: What type of equipment is it? How old is it? Is it still in working order?

Explore Your Reuse Options: If your equipment is working, is there a nonprofit organization or school district in your area that could use it? *Fisher Scientific Program for Donation of Chemicals and Articles (Program 107.01) must be followed.*

Consider Repair or Upgrade: If your equipment doesn't work, can it be repaired or refurbished?

Proper Disposal: Veolia (formerly Onyx) Environmental Services will recycle/dispose of this material under the national contract with Fisher Scientific.

SCD Hosts Firefighter and Hazardous Materials Technician Training

At the request of Deputy Fire Marshal Kevin Smith and Craig Halker of Santa Ana College, Fisher Scientific Co. L.L.C. Southern Distribution Center (SCD) in Chino, CA hosted Firefighter and Hazardous Materials (HazMat) Technician training on Aug. 3. Forty-two California firefighters and HazMat technicians attended, representing Fire Brigades from Chino, Encinitas, San Francisco, Ventura, Ontario, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, Monterey Park, Irvine, Garden Grove, Santa Ana, Long Beach, and Riverside Fire Companies.

The Chino facility was selected by the fire marshal for its dedicated manner in safeguarding hazardous chemicals, employee training, and the state-of-the-art fire suppression system. The participants used the Chino facility as a role model for assessing hazardous chemical storage in their jurisdictions. The tour included a review of the AFFF extinguishing system, automatic doors, emergency contingency planning, hazardous materials storage techniques, and the skills employed when handling these materials.

The collaborative effort with the firefighters and the SCD facility team benefits both the emergency responders and the Fisher SCD location. The fire marshal's confidence in showing the Chino facility to his peers demonstrates Fisher's leadership the properly safeguarding people and property in the distribution business.



Firefighters and HAZMAT Technicians

FSRQA - Regulatory Affairs Web Site

The FSRQA web site has had a "make over" and is scheduled to be live by the end of October.

The URL for this web site is www.fsrqa.com

This will bring you to a screen which gives you the option of selecting Environmental, Safety, and Health or Product Support Tacklebox.

To use the Product Support Tacklebox, a userid and password is required. Please contact Lindsey Pawuk (412-490-8933) to obtain this information.

A multitude of information to support regulatory professionals can be found on the web site. Please take advantage of using it to assist with your daily work. All presentations from the 2006 September Regulatory Affairs Conference can be found in the Tacklebox Bulletin Board. A "contacts" section which provides you access to the other regulatory professionals within the organization. Please check your contact information to assure it is correct. Any corrections should be sent to Jill Asti via email at jili.asti@fishersci.com.

If you have suggestions or ideas for improvements please contact Lindsey Pawuk at 412-490-8933 or anyone on the Pittsburgh Regulatory Affairs Team.

Inventory Updated Rule (IUR) Reporting Reminder

Due between August 25 and December 23

How's your evaluation for reporting?

Reminder: even if reporting is not required due to the volume of manufacture or import below the thresholds of 25,000 pound or greater at a single site, you must have objective evidence in place that this evaluation was completed. This evaluation is based on unique chemical volumes. If a site has manufactured or imported mixtures or if a product composition contains multiple chemicals as components, then the total volume of the unique chemical over the range of products must be calculated.

There are excellent tools and supporting documents on the EPA web site.

<http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/iur/>

If you have completed the evaluation and determined reporting is not required for your site or have completed the reporting required, please submit a copy of this to Lisa DuMars in Pittsburgh.

COLE-PARMER REACHES TWO YEAR MARK WITHOUT A RECORDABLE INJURY

-Courtesy of Mike Whitaker

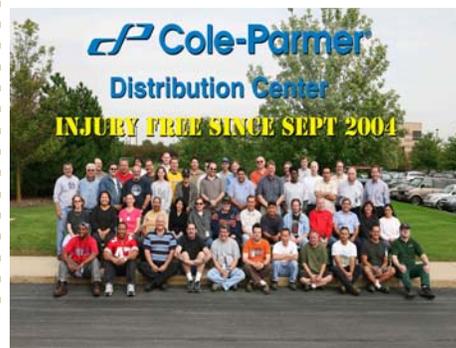
Cole-Parmer associates have not incurred a recordable injury in the Distribution Center (DC) since Sept. 16, 2004. That is an amazing injury-free stretch of two years, a new Cole-Parmer record!

This is no small feat considering that over the course of two years the DC:

- * Shipped 660,000 packages (1,300 packages a day);
- * Moved 3,300 tons of product in and out of the building (estimated at 10 lbs per package); and
- * Spent 14,000 hours driving forklifts an estimated 28,000 miles (more than once around the world).

All this was accomplished without a single sprained back, finger laceration, broken toe, or any one of a hundred other injuries commonly sustained in a warehouse environment.

Congratulations to the DC staff as well as to Mike Sesterhenn, Director of Operations, and his supervision team for their diligence and vigilance!





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- Our policy is to conduct business worldwide ***in compliance*** with all applicable laws and regulations.
- Fisher Scientific's Regulatory Affairs Department is responsible for *monitoring the company's progress and reporting to management the overall Regulatory Affairs goals and our success in achieving them.*
- For more information about the Regulatory Affairs Group, please contact one of the individuals below.

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