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Certified Safety Manager Classroom Course

Last week, we finished our CSM Classroom course and WOW! what a great course it was. My thanks to all of the students (literally from around the world) who showed up to make this class such an overwhelming success. We received heartfelt comments such as 'best class in my 35 years in the business' and 'I will be attending more NASP courses in the future,' but I must say, it's <u>the students</u> that determine how successful a course will actually be. From the after-hours activities (including a free concert) to their final presentations, the energy, enthusiasm, passion and diversity of this group of CSM candidates was nothing less than extraordinary. As we have always said, you do NOT attend our CSM course, you EXPERIENCE it. For more information on the date and location of our next CSM Course, click <u>here</u>.

Upcoming Website Changes

As I mentioned last year, we are undergoing some major changes that include the look of our website, the method in which our certifications will be attained and the content of the actual courses. We are excited about these changes, not to mention some of our new online certification courses, so be looking for a separate email that will tell you when the official website will begin in the upcoming weeks. Your feedback will be much appreciated!

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CSM Course

June 1-5, 2015

HAZWOPER Train-the-Trainer

May 11-15, 2015

Space is LIMITED -SIGN UP TODAY!

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Manager Going to Jail

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The message from regulators couldn't be more clear: If you don't provide workers with the necessary PPE, it's not just your company that might be on the hook.

Individuals could face jail time. The most recent company leaders to learn that lesson: Five managers at A&E Salvage who instructed workers to remove asbestos-containing materials from a closed plant in Hamblen County, TN.

The company didn't train the workers on proper asbestos removal or provide the necessary PPE to protect against the hazard.

Asbestos has been proven as the near-exclusive cause of mesothelioma, a rare and aggressive cancer, as well as asbestosis and lung cancer.

The company leaders pleaded guilty to a criminal felony count of conspiring to violate the Clean Air Act's "work practice standards" for removal and disposal of asbestos.

Owners and managers charged

Here are the sentences the managers are slated to serve:

- Mark Sawyer, owner and operator, 5 years in prison followed by 2 years of supervised release
- Newell Smith, manager, 37 months (3 years, 1 month) in prison and 2 years of supervised release
- Eric Gruenberg, manager, 28 months (2 years, 4 months) in prison
- Arimida DiSanti, 6 months in prison and 6 months of home confinement, and
- Milto DiSanti, 6 months in prison and 6 months of home confinement.

Millions in restitution

In addition, the managers were ordered to pay restitution of more than \$10.3 million, which will go straight to the Environmental Protection Agency's Superfund.

This is the fund officials used to pay to clean up the contaminated plant.

A 'multi-year scheme'

According to the charges, the managers at A&E Salvage did more than simply forget to provide workers with a pair of gloves before sending them out to the factory.

The Department of Justice called their actions "a multi-year scheme in which substantial amounts of regulated asbestos containing materials were removed."

Expert testimony revealed a serious risk of injury to the workers removing the asbestos.

To protect yourself from civil AND criminal liability, click here.

Violence and Where

Looking for a new position? Check out job openings in the safety field <u>here</u>.

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it Occurs

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The FBI recently looked at active shooter incidents in the U.S. between 2000 and 2013 and found that 70% of active shooter incidents happened at either a commercial business or educational institution.

For the purposes of the study, the FBI defined "active shooter" as an individual or individuals actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area or outside a building.

Study findings

There were 160 incidents that fit these parameters averaging out to 11.4 incidents a year, though that number is rising. The incidents took place in 40 states and Washington, DC. More findings from the study:

- Most of the shooters were young men the shooter was a woman in only six incidents.
- 40% of the shooters committed suicide either on the site of the attack or shortly after the incident.
- The incidents began and ended quickly: 69% of them ended within five minutes, and almost half ended within two minutes.
- 60% of the incidents ended before the police got to the scene.

To better prepare yourself for possible violence in the workplace, click <u>here</u>.

HAZWOPER Train-the-Trainer Course

Many of our clients have requested a "How To" training class to meet the qualifications to provide in-house HAZMAT Emergency Response training for their employees. Appendix E of the HAZWOPER standard states that individuals who are providing HAZMAT training should 'successfully complete a train-thetrainer program specific to the topics they will teach.' That is what this course is designed to do!

This brand new course will cover in detail the regulatory and training requirements of the Hazardous Waste Operation and Emergency Response (29 CFR 1910.120) standard. Not only does the class review the various elements of the OSHA and EPA standards, there are also demonstrations as well as "hands-on," practical simulations to meet the experiential requirements of the regulation. You will also receive everything you need to provide this training for your employees. Because of the practical applications of the course, it is not offered online. Class size is limited so <u>REGISTER NOW</u>. Please note, that you must submit payment upon completion of registration.

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