

# EWC-ACHMM NEWSLETTER



**Eastern Washington  
Chapter of the Academy  
of Certified Hazardous  
Materials Managers**

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

From — **R. Terry Winward**

This year is almost over but for the EWC there is still much to be done and to participate in. On December 11<sup>th</sup> we will have our annual Christmas Meeting. This meeting is very important to us all in many ways. Your new officers for next year will be announced and we will all have a renewed opportunity to give to our Chapter.

At this meeting our Scholarship will be presented and what an opportunity for you to come and support our winner who is looking at this field for her career. We will have an excellent speaker share some important ideas with us. You will have the chance to come and for \$40 attend the dinner and pay for next year's dues. This is a \$10 savings for you. The dinner cost guests and members not paying next years dues \$25 and if you don't attend the dinner, the dues fee is \$25 for next year. Bring a guest or two and have them share in what this organization stands for.

This will be our second annual Chapter Award's Ceremony as part of the evening. This year we will be announcing the winners in advance, to give their companies, families and friends a chance to come and be part of the moment. When the awards are announced, you may think that someone else should have been considered. Maybe they were or just maybe they weren't — because you didn't take the time to nominate them. Next year I hope we have several more people nominating people for that is how this process should work. Many people have worked very hard this year to make for a better Chapter. I hesitate to start with names for I could go on for quite some time. However, there are some who just need to be especially thanked like Andrea Prignano for her great support and hard work, and Mitzi Miller for heading up more things than most care to think about, and Chuck Mulkey for his fine efforts and support, you are in good hands next year. Rampur Viswanath still has his vision and has worked hard to help us move forward towards it. Brian Dixon put on an excellent training again and Bruce Vesper moved forth to put our awards on a more solid footing. Roni Swan has done an excellent job in improving our Newsletter. Steve McNutt has worked hard to help us in the School Lab Audit Program and to gain more funds. The list goes on and on with good people doing a good job. This is tough, I keep thinking of more and more people doing good jobs — Sebastian, Jeannette, Russ, you... so thank them all for me at our Christmas Dinner.

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### ***Rehab the Lab***

EWC-ACHMM members have been providing support and a public service to the local high schools by taking inventory of chemicals for disposal and performing safety audits of the school laboratories. Future work will include teaching the teachers about the laws regarding chemical and waste management. Inventories and audits have been performed at Prosser and Benton City High Schools.

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## From the Academy Bookstore

Promotional items are available to order. You can find hats, travel mugs and lapel pins! This year there are great vests, shirts with both long and short sleeves, and pullover jackets.

To order with your credit card:

Call 1-800-437-0137, or order from the

Web site at: [www.achmmm.org](http://www.achmmm.org)

By FAX: 1-301-916-3308

By Mail: Academy Bookstore, Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers, P.O. Box 1216, Rockville, MD 20849

We're on the Web!

At:

<http://users.owt.com/ewcachmm>

## Scholarship Awarded

This year, the EWC, has chosen to give Lena B Hakim a \$500 scholarship. Lena is enrolled at Washington State University—Tri Cities in the Environmental Science graduate program.

This year's scholarship winner will be recognized at the Christmas dinner on December 11th. Let's all say congratulations to Lena!



## *Rehab the Lab*—continued

This work is funded by a grant from the Washington Department of Ecology.

On November 21, 2003, inventories of chemicals will be made at Southridge High and an audit to follow on November 26, 2003. Hanford and Richland High Schools are scheduled for audits in December. Steve McNutt and Dan McClure have been leading the group. Those assisting as of this writing include: Cheryl Neff, Michelle Yates-Mandis, Bill Scott, Dave Bartus, Don Kelly, Charles Mulkey, Lucinda Borneman, Andy Hobbs and Terry Winward. Contact either Steve McNutt or Mitzi Miller ([mitzim@eqminc.com](mailto:mitzim@eqminc.com)) if you would like to participate.

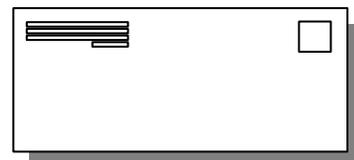
## Nominations for 2004

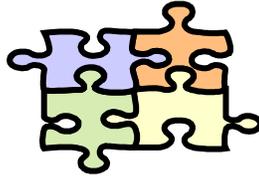
### Executive Committee

#### Officers are:

- **Vice President—Michelle Yates Mandis**
- **Secretary—Susan K. Nelson**
- **Treasurer—Mike McCoy**

Chuck Mulkey, current Vice President, will become the 2004 President and Terry Winward, current President, will become the 2004 Past President. The election is by sealed ballot. Mail to EWC, 1370 Jadwin Ave, Ste 113, Richland, WA 99352.





### **EPA PUBLISHES FINAL RULE ON THE NATIONAL EMISSION STANDARDS FOR HAZARDOUS AIR POLLUTANTS FOR SITE REMEDIATION**

On October 8, 2003, EPA published a final rule (68 FR 58171) in the Federal Register promulgating the national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP) for site remediation. The final rule implements section 112 (d) of the Clean Air Act to control hazardous air pollutant (HAP) emissions at major sources where remediation technologies and practices are used to clean up contaminated environmental media such as soils and ground or surface waters or to clean up certain stored or disposed of materials that pose a reasonable potential threat to contaminate these media.

Site remediations that are subject to the NESHAP are required to control emissions of organic HAP by meeting emission limitations and work practice standards that meet the application of the maximum achievable control technology (MACT). The final rule applies to three types of affected sources including:

- Process vents on in-situ and ex-situ remediation treatment processes;
- Units used to manage remediation materials; and
- Equipment leaks from pumps, valves, and other ancillary equipment associated with the remediation activities.

The final rule became effective October 8, 2003. For more information, e-mail or call [Kirk A. Peterson@rl.gov](mailto:Kirk.A.Peterson@rl.gov) at (509) 372-2364 with Fluor Hanford's Program Services.

### **EPA PUBLISHES FINAL RULE REVISING THE PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETIORIATION (PSD) AND NON-ATTAINMENT NEW SOURCE REVIEW (NSR) RULE ON EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FOR ROUTINE MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT**

On October 27, 2003, EPA published a final rule (68 FR 61247) in the Federal Register revising the regulations on the new source review (NSR) program under Title 1, Parts C and D of the Clean Air Act. The amendment allows for a category of equipment replacement activities that are not subject to major NSR requirements under the routine maintenance, repair and replacement exclusion. The final rule specifies that the replacement of components of a process unit with identical components or their functional equivalent will come within the scope of the exclusion if:

- the cost of replacing the component falls below 20 percent of the replacement value of the process unit of which the component is a part;
- the replacement does not change the unit's basic design parameters; and
- the unit continues to meet enforceable emission and operational limitations.

The exclusion is intended to allow owners or operators to replace components under a wider variety of circumstances than they have been able to do under the previous regulation. The final rule becomes effective December 26, 2003. For more information, e-mail or call [Kirk A. Peterson@rl.gov](mailto:Kirk.A.Peterson@rl.gov) at (509) 372-2364 with Fluor Hanford's Program Services.

## **EPA PUBLISHES A PROPOSED RULE REVISING THE DEFINITION OF SOLID WASTE**

On October 28, 2003, EPA published a proposed rule (68 FR 61557) in the Federal Register revising the definition of solid waste to exclude hazardous waste from regulation under Subtitle C of RCRA when it is generated and reclaimed in a continuous process within the same industry. Under the proposed rule, the recycled materials would not have to be managed as either a solid or hazardous waste when reclaimed in this way. EPA developed the rule as the result of an April 2000 decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit on the applicability of RCRA rules to waste that is recycled (the Association of Battery Recyclers Inc. v. EPA, 208 F.3d 1047, 50 ERC 1285, D.C. Cir. 2000). The proposed rule also adds new language that specifies four general criteria to determine what is considered legitimate hazardous waste recycling including:

- the material to be recycled must be managed as a valuable commodity;
- the material must provide a useful contribution to the recycling process or to a product of the recycling process;
- the recycling process must yield a valuable product or intermediate that is sold or used under specific conditions; and
- the product of the recycling process must not contain significant amounts of hazardous constituents.

The proposed rule does not apply to waste recycled by a commercial or third party that is not within the same industry that generated the waste. The rule also does not apply to certain types of recycled materials considered inherently waste-like such as certain dioxin-containing wastes. Comments on the proposed rule must be received by EPA on or before January 26, 2004. For more information, e-mail or call [Wayne E. Toebe@rl.gov](mailto:Wayne.E.Toebe@rl.gov) at (509) 372-2359 with Fluor Hanford's Program Services.

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### **EWC-ACHMM 2003 Award Winners**

The 2003 winners of the Eastern Washington Chapter of the Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers (EWC-ACHMM) have been announced. These individuals will be recognized at our Christmas dinner meeting on December 11th.

- Membership Award—Ms. Roni Swan and Mr. Terry Winward
- President's Award—Ms. Mitzi Miller
- Young CHMM of the Year—Ms. Michelle Yates-Mandis
- Excellence in Hazardous Materials Management— Team consisting of : Steve McNutt, Dan McClure, Mitzi Miller, Cheryl Neff, Michelle Yates-Mandis, William Scott, Dave Bartus, Don Kelly, Charles Mulkey, Lucinda Borneman and Terry Winward
- Hazardous Materials Manager of the Year—Mr. Mark Riess
- Outstanding Service to the Eastern Washington Chapter—Mr. Rampur Viswanath
- Meritorious Achievement to the Eastern Washington Chapter—Mr. Brian Dixon

