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ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN PLANT FOOD CONTROL OFFICIALS

ANNOUNCING
AAPFCO 27th Fertilizer Administrators' Seminar
Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday October 21st - Thursday October 23rd
2014

Fertilizer Regulators,

"If I could only go to one meeting a year, I would not hesitate to choose the AAPFCO Fertilizer Administrators' Seminar". This statement has been made by many of our past Seminar attendees. It's a great place to stay current on all the issues affecting our regulatory programs.

Who Should Attend?

Any staff member of fertilizer regulatory agencies who have enforcement responsibilities for their agency should attend. In particular, those individuals responsible for policy and administrative decisions affecting the management of fertilizer regulatory programs will profit from this experience. Included in this group are the program administrator and/or director, the chief inspector, and the chief auditor assigned specifically for conducting audits of fertilizer distributors.

Program Objectives

1. Increase the participant's knowledge of the many factors helpful in the conduct of a quality regulatory program.
2. Improve the participant's skill, assurance, and competence in handling adversarial relationships created with the regulated industry.
3. Improve the participant's ability to demonstrate leadership qualities.
4. Prepare the participant for the inevitable court appearance or deposition.
5. Involve the participants in discussions and problem-solving workshops designed to provide an opportunity to formulate a model fertilizer regulatory program.
6. Provide an opportunity for participants from many regulatory programs to exchange ideas and experiences.

Program Content

1. Significance, use and interpretations of the AAPFCO uniform state bills:
 - a. Fertilizer Bill
 - b. Liming Materials Bill
 - c. Soil Amendments Bill
 - d. Agricultural Ammonia
 - e. Chemigation
2. Review and interpretations of AAPFCO rules relative to:
 - a. Labeling
 - b. Investigational Allowances
 - c. Registration and Licensing
 - d. Primary and Secondary Containment of Bulk Fertilizer Storage

3. Use and Review of Product Label Guide for label reviews.
4. Report on each represented state's fertilizer program.
5. How to manage press releases and reporters.
6. Calculating commercial value of fertilizers for penalties.
7. Is additional testing needed for organic inputs?

Sponsorship and Fee

Except for a fee of \$150.00 per registrant to cover local costs, all other expenses of the seminar are supported by the Association of American Plant Food Control Officials. The AAPFCO sponsorship does not include the participant's travel expenses to the seminar or living expenses while attending.

Registration

A maximum of 25 participants will be accepted on a "first-come, first-served" basis. To register, complete and forward the registration form and registration fee of \$150.00 (if paying by check make payable to AAPFCO) as noted on the form. **The last date for receipt of the registration form and fee is October 3, 2014.**

Requests for refunds will be honored if received by October 10, 2014.

Travel

Fly into the Baltimore Washington Internatioanl Airport (BWI) Baltimore, MD. Super Shuttle is available for \$35 one way or a taxi fare is \$70 one way (about a thirty minute drive to hotel). Hotel parking is \$24.00 per day.

Lodging

A limited number of rooms (25) are being held for seminar participants in the Historic Inns of Annapolis 58 State Circle Annapolis, MD 21401 in the Governor Calvert House. Room rates are \$121.00 plus tax (13%) for a total of \$136.73 per night. For preferential consideration ask for the Association of American Plant Food Control Officials Group Rate, when you contact Historic Inns of Annapolis at 410-263-2641 or use their online reservations at [AAPFCO - Annual Administrators Seminar](#) before **September 26, 2014**. There is no guarantee of a room or group rate after that date. Reservations should be made as far in advance as possible to insure availability and to receive the special room rate.

Scholarship

AAPFCO will be offering scholarship money to help offset some of the cost of the seminar. The Seminar Committee will select the recipients of the scholarships based on information supplied on the AAPFCO Seminar Scholarship Application. Please mail, email or fax your scholarship form by **September 30, 2014** to the address listed on the form.

SPECIAL NOTE: Due to limited accommodations, early hotel reservations are recommended!!!!

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