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ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN PLANT FOOD CONTROL OFFICIALS

ANNOUNCING

AAPFCO 31st Fertilizer Administrators' Seminar

Palm Springs, CA

Tuesday, October 23rd – Thursday, October 25th, 2018

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

- Significance, use and interpretations of the AAPFCO uniform state bills:
 - Fertilizer Bill
 - Agricultural
 - Liming Materials
 - Chemigation
 - Soil Amendments
- Review and interpretations of AAPFCO rules relative to:
 - Labeling
 - Registration and Licensing
 - Investigational Allowances
 - Primary & Secondary Containment of Bulk Fertilizer Storage
- Use, Review, and Exercises of Product Label Guide
- Emerging Issues for Each Attending State

Program Content (continued)

- Fertilizer Tonnage Reporting
- Biostimulants Definition in Proposed Farm Bill
- The Fertilizer Institute Update
- Laboratory services Update
- AAPFCO Online Training

Sponsorship and Fee

Except for a fee of \$275.00 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 30 participants will be accepted on a "first-come, first-served" basis. To register, complete and forward the registration form and registration fee of \$275.00 (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 5, 2018.**

Travel

Fly into the Palm Springs International Airport (PSP) Palm Springs, CA. A complementary hotel shuttle, based on availability, can be reached at 760-904-5015. Hotel valet parking is complementary.

Lodging

A limited number of rooms (30) are being held for seminar participants at The Rowan Hotel 100 W Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262. Room rates are \$133.00 plus tax (16.7%) for a total of \$155.21 per night, resort fees (additional charges) will not be charged. For preferential consideration ask for the Association of American Plant Food Control Officials Group Rate, when you contact The Rowan Hotel at 760-904-5015 (800-832-8320) or use their online reservations at [Association of American Plant Food Control Officials](#) by **September 23, 2018**. 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 with first time attendees taking prejudice. 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 **October 5, 2018** to the address listed on the form.

SPECIAL NOTE:

**The seminar will start at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday the 23rd and conclude at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday the 25th.
Due to limited accommodations, early hotel reservations are recommended!!!!**

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