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UPDATES AND INFORMATION

MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE - UPDATE
The Distribution Operating Executives, Midstream Operating Executives and Transmission Operating Executives roundtable agendas are all nearly complete. The opening general session will feature a panel discussion of CEO's providing their perspective on today's natural gas operating environment. A panel discussion on "Safety Culture Implementation" is a follow up to last year's hugely popular safety panel. Dean Fox, URS Corporation was a big hit at our Executive Conference last November and he returns to help us get focused on cyber security. And...the Conference dinner this year is an evening at the U.S. Freedom Pavilion at the National WWII Museum.

Hotel cutoff: March 11

OPERATING CONFERENCE - UPDATE
A preliminary list of topics identified by some of the committees sponsoring roundtables at the Operating Conference (July 22-24; Houston) can be accessed here - More info...

DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS & ENGINEERING SECTION - UPDATE
Some of the activities this section has scheduled for the spring include:

- Third Party Inspection - survey and audio conference
- Everything Distribution Integrity Management - workshop
- Inspecting the Installation of Pipelines - workshop
- Distribution System Design - part of Spring Gas Conference
- Meter & Regulator Station Design - part of Spring Gas Conference
- Accelerated Replacement Programs - webinars series
- Focused on tracking and traceability at the Supply Chain Management Conference - moderated by our good friend, Richard Sanders (formerly with PHMSA).
- Contact: Kent Hobart or Randy Randolph
WORKSHOPS - WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK
The following popular workshops are scheduled based on demand. Please let us know if your company is interested in supporting any of the following:

- Practical In-Line Inspection
- Pipeline Repair Methods
- Advanced In-Line Inspection

EVENT CALENDAR

SPRING GAS CONFERENCE & EXPO
March 11-13, 2013 - Charlotte, NC
This technical conference includes breakout sessions on such timely topics as:
- Distribution System Design (for engineers)
- Inspecting the Installation of Pipelines
- Emergency Management;
- 16 additional technical breakouts to choose from.
To view the list of over 80 product and service providers who are registered to exhibit - Click here

EVERYTHING DISTRIBUTION INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP
March 12-13, 2013 - Charlotte, NC

TRANSMISSION PIPELINE DESIGN
March 12-15, 2013 - Charlotte, NC

ACCELERATED REPLACEMENT PROGRAM (ARP)

INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT WEB SERIES
April 1 - May 13, 2013 - Online

MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
April 3-5, 2013 - New Orleans, LA

MUTUAL ASSISTANCE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP
April 24-26, 2013 – Clearwater Beach, FL

TRAINING WEEK 1
May 14-16, 2013 - Atmos' Charles K. Vaughan Training Center - Plano, TX
Training Week 1 includes the following workshops:

- Introduction to the Natural Gas Industry
- The Ratemaking Process
- How Natural Gas Is Bought and Sold
- The Level Headed Leader: Understanding Yourself before Leading Others
- Introduction to Regulated Natural Gas Accounting
- Team Engagement
INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT FOR GAS TRANSMISSION PIPELINES WORKSHOP
May 29-31, 2013 - CenterPoint Energy, Houston, TX

ENVIRONMENTAL, SAFETY & HEALTH, AND TRAINING CONFERENCE
June 4-6, 2013 - Hyatt Regency St. Louis at the Arch, St. Louis, MO

OFFSHORE GAS OPERATIONS CONFERENCE & EXHIBITS
June 12-14, 2013 - Lake Charles, LA

SGA OPERATING CONFERENCE
July 22-24, 2013 - Houston, TX

Not seeing a workshop you are interested in or would like to bring one of our workshops to your location? Check out our full list of onsite workshops to indicate your interests.

SGA NETWORK

SWITCH - the Documentary
Friday, April 19 (9-11 am CT) (10-noon ET)
We are excited to be working with the producers of the documentary, "Switch," to broadcast this movie to our members. We have a commitment from the movie's authors and producers, Dr. Scott Tinker from the University of Texas, and Harry Lynch, to be on the program live (via technology) to answer questions following the program.

- This groundbreaking film, video and education program is uniting diverse audiences in a shared understanding of energy and promoting efficiency.
- View the Trailer - click here (2.5 minutes)
- Cost to Network Members plus - no fee; Network (non-Member plus) $250; SGA Members (Non-Network) - $1,000. These fees are for ALL your employees.
- We are unable to archive this program so be sure to mark this date.
- More details to come. Contact Farlene Powell

NETWORK NEWS - MARCH ISSUE
Click here to access the March issue full of ideas on ways to use the Network in your organization, as well as information about upcoming events. Featured articles include:
- "Got Ethics? Learn the How-To's and Why-Not's" - available starting March 14
- "Culture of Compliance in the Natural Gas Industry" - live webinar - March 26
- Update on the new "Supervisor Development Mapping Tools" - an easy way to develop supervisory skills using video programs in the Network Library (self-paced, self-directed).

GAS MACHINERY RESEARCH COUNCIL

GMRC/SGA TRAINING WEEK
April 16-19, 2013 - Pittsburgh, PA
Click on a class for information and registration:
- Project Planning and Management (NEW) - April 16-17
- Field Operations Maintenance Training (NEW) - April 16-19
- Factors in Compressor Station Design - April 17-19
- Compressor Station Vibration: Impact on Cost, Performance, & Reliability - April 17-19
BLOG HIGHLIGHTS

The SGA Blog is a great way to keep up with everything going on at Southern Gas Association:

- AGA’s Playbook
- Thank you to our Committee Volunteers
- Thank you to our Environmental Technical Conference Sponsors

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