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THE HAZMAT NEWS NETWORK celebrated its first full year of distribution. That's right, we started the publication last November. Regulatory Resources hopes you've been able to benefit from the information and articles presented. We'd also like

to thank all of you for your interest and support. We are looking forward to what the next year holds. Remember, all we need is a name and fax number and you too can get *The Hazmat News Network* each month...for free!

WHEN IT RAINS, IT FLOODS! Last month was brutal. As most of you know, you did not receive *The Hazmat News Network* last month. For the approximately 40 who did receive it, you'll find these articles to be familiar. What happened is a nightmare. It started out when my motherboard failed. That was replaced and my system reconfigured. Then, I decided to install Norton AntiVirus software. The install went great until I was told to restart my computer. ARGGGG. The software program corrupted a sector on my hard drive and wiped it out...completely. I was fortunate to have most of my files backed up, but, not all of them. So, please pass the newsletter around. I've lost about 50 names from my list that I cannot reconstruct. If you know of anyone needing to be reentered on the distribution, please call, fax or email me. Thanks for your patience and your help.

DON'T GET COMFORTABLE YET! On October 25th, DOT published in the Federal Register the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Docket HM-215B, "Harmonization with the United Nations Recommendations, International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code, and International Civil Aviation Organization's Technical Instructions" (pages 55363-55410). A lot of new and revised requirements are being proposed. And, comments were due to DOT by November 25th. Who needed sleep anyway?! Here are some of the actions in the proposed rulemaking.

- New definitions for aerosol, salvage packaging, and intermediate packaging (the latter applying to explosives);
- New provision for the marking of salvage packagings;
- Amendments to the Hazmat Table (you know, proper shipping names, packing groups, special provisions, etc.). Remember that new computer program you just bought (\$\$\$) that helps pick out the proper shipping name...ouch!

- Changes to the list of marine pollutants;
- Amendments to the Explosives Table;
- New and more specific test criteria for the classification of Class 4, Division 5.1, Division 5.2, and Division 6.1;
- New and revised self-reactive substances;
- Amendments to the requirements for 31H22 composite IBCs.

FUNCTION SPECIFIC TRAINING IS AVAILABLE to meet your specific needs. DOT requires four specific areas of training, as they apply to a job function. One of these four is "function specific" training. I know what you're thinking, "I can't afford this type of personal training." Yes you can! For what it will cost you to send a few, that's right, at little as three people to an off-site seminar, Regulatory Resources can come to you with your site specifics incorporated into the training program. We specialize in non-bulk hazardous materials; bulk hazardous materials; packaging; hazardous wastes (including the RCRA/TSCA/CERCLA interfaces); radioactive materials, IATA/ICAO and more! We'll show you the details others miss all the while giving your operations top priority. Give us a call. You'll be glad you did.



6th ANNUAL DANGEROUS GOODS BY AIR CONFERENCE and Exhibition entitled "*Making Regulations Work*", is being held at the Atlanta Hilton and Towers, downtown Atlanta, Georgia, January 28-30, 1997. The conference will cover current issues of concern to all involved in the transportation of dangerous goods by air. A series of workshops will also be part of this important aviation safety event. For a brochure and details contact Shawn Gerber at 514-844-6311 ext. 3532, or by fax at 514-844-1819.

TUMS FOR YOUR WASTE CONTAINERS may be in order. The EPA published on November 25th the final Final Rule, "Organic Air Emission Standards for Tanks, Surface Impoundments, and Containers." The effective date of the rulemaking was October 6th, however, it was suspended until December 6th. Funny how the effective date was almost two months before we had the final requirements. I haven't yet studied the docket; I will expand on this rulemaking in next month's issue (what a way to kick in the new year!).

Regulatory Resources wishes for you and your families the very best for the Holiday Season.

