

9th Bi-Annual EHS Director's Roundtable
November 19-20th, 2002 (noon to noon)
Executive West Hotel
Louisville, Kentucky

TENTATIVE AGENDA TOPICS:

- 1) **New Incidents, Accidents, Fines and/or Identification of Exposures**— “show and tell”, any data from Univ. of Minnesota lab explosion?
- 2) **Recent Inspections and Regulatory Development Updates**—Mercury Reduction Act of 2002, USDA audits, findings and tracking of APHIS permits, CDC inspections, and Rutgers self audit and disclosure experience (Region 2 initiative)—Mike Quinlan
- 3) **C&U Association's EPA Engagement Initiative** – update on August 22-23 meeting of EPA officials, Project XL schools, HHMI best practices participants, CSHEMA Gov. Relations Committee reps, ACE, NACUBO hosted by HHMI and current strategy
- 4) **Best Management Practices**
 - Effective accounting for environmental programs—Bob Emery
 - Management reporting as means of promoting compliance—Harry Enoch
 - UK's surcharge of 0.69% on all purchases which generates ~\$1.2M annually—any challenge from granting agencies? Is anyone else going this route?
 - Any new cost saving ideas ??
- 5) **Laboratory/Research Related Issues**
 - EHS staff metric for bringing new buildings on line – recap of UNC, NCSU and UAB formulas, IUPUI estimate for lab space and discussion about Rounders developing consensus standards for research lab, academic lab, office and class room spaces
 - Status and Update on Research Integrity Initiative at UofL—Cheri Hildreth and Tom Dalglish
 - North Carolina's negative experience with conversion from Southern Building Code to International Building Code and focus on hazardous exhaust—Dave Rainer and Pete Reinhardt
 - Cornell's new door signage system which will soon be commercially available—Andy Garcia- Rivera
 - Lab decommissioning policies—what if any enforcement provisions are being used?
 - Comprehensive hazardous material inventory/ tracking systems – Univ. of Georgia's new system, Ken Scott and Vanderbilt's BioWise, Bob Wheaton
 - Focus on laboratory security following 9/11—formation of task forces/committees on campus and NCSU's new card access and architectural standards

- 6) **New Technology/Software and Applications in Use or Planned**—PDA's vs. mini-computers; new hardware "Pallets"; color palm pilots and "Pen Dragon" software; digital cameras; smart phones; EHS data management systems; any new free software. Anything else that our technology guru, Randy Pewitt wants to talk about!
- 7) **Shipping materials off campus (DOT vs. IATA) and EHS's role**—discuss compliance strategies
- 8) **Update on EHS Accreditation**—Pete Reinhardt pitched this idea at our Rounders meeting one year ago and also this summer at CSHEMA—any progress, are Rounders ready?
- 9) **Web Based Training Update**—List of university web based training modules developed over 2 years ago needs to be updated. Will be distributed on site and attendees will be asked to make additions. Come with URLs of all your current web based training modules! Any other developments? Computer will be on site w/internet hookup.
- 10) **Chargebacks**—Topic covered at spring roundtable but we didn't get a list of who is charging for what services. During these tight budget times, this would be a good resource for us to develop.
- 11) **Novel EHS Service Evaluation and Risk Management Assessment Tool for Research Laboratories**—Bob Emery
- 12) **USA Patriot Act & Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness Act**—Dr. Ronald Atlas, President of the American Society of Microbiology and Dean of UofL's Graduate School will join us around 11:00am on Wednesday, 11/20 to give us his insider's view of the new interim rules that are scheduled to be published Dec. 9th. Talk of biosecurity preparedness plans is one thing he recently heard while testifying with Pres. Bush's science advisor before congress. NOTE: The IBC Roundtable will immediately follow the EHS Director's Roundtable and those attendees will be invited for this portion of our meeting.