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SUBJECT: Schools Chemical Cleanout Campaign (SC3) **Chemical Management Training**

FROM: Pennsylvania Department of the Environment (PADEP)

TO: Schools in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

The Schools Chemical Cleanout Campaign (SC3) originated from a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) program established to build a network of federal agencies, state agencies, teachers' associations, school administrator organizations, chemical suppliers, and industry leaders to raise national awareness of the potential chemical dangers in K-12 schools, facilitate chemical cleanouts, and prevent future problems with chemicals in schools.

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), as part of SC3, is again providing integrated chemical management and safety training for teachers and administrators in Pennsylvania schools. The purpose of the Training is to help schools improve overall chemical management practices. Topics will include Hazard Awareness & Chemical Safety and Development of a Chemical Hygiene Plan. There is no fee charged for the Training.

The North Penn School District in Montgomery County has offered to host the one-day training on August 28.

Title: Chemical Management Training

Presenter: Kevin Beer, PA DEP

Date: August 28, 2015

Time: 8:00am – 3:30pm

Location: North Penn High School Audion, 1340 Valley Forge Rd. Lansdale, PA 19446

To register for the Chemical Management Training, send message via email to kbeer@pa.gov. Please include 'CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING – August 28' in the subject and your contact information in the content. The Training will also be offered at DEP offices in the six regions of the commonwealth (locations and dates to be announced soon).

As schools begin to implement their integrated chemical management plan, a review of the chemical inventory usually reveals some out of date, excess, and/or high risk chemicals that require proper handling and disposal. Schools participating in the Chemical Management Training will be invited to submit an application for assistance with the chemical clean out process. The application submission for chemical cleanout assistance will take place early 2016.

If you have any questions regarding the SC3 Program, please contact Kevin Beer by email at kbeer@pa.gov or by phone at 717.787.8268.

Chemical Management Training Outline of Topics

INTRODUCTION

- Chemical Related Incidents in Schools
- Hazard Recognition

IMPORTANCE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY

- Commitment to Safety
- Roles and Responsibilities

CHEMICAL HYGIENE PLANS

- Outline and Development
- Written Plan and Updating
- Safety Data Sheets (SDS)
- Inventory and Purchasing Plan
- Labeling
- Storage of Chemicals
- Proper Organization of Chemicals
- Storage of Gas Cylinders
- Safety Equipment
- Spill Control
- Emergency Plans
- Reduction of Stored Chemicals
- Disposal of Chemicals

REVIEW OF SCHOOL CHEMICAL CLEANOUT PROGRAM

- Application for Assistance with Chemical Cleanout Process
- Details from Past Chemical Cleanouts and Lessons Learned