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PACP MATURITY BRINGS CHANGES

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One of the many responsibilities that comes with managing a program as successful as PACP is to ensure that those of us who are certified to train others in the proper use of PACP do it to the highest standards of excellence.

It has been nearly unanimously agreed by PACP Trainers that re-certification of Trainers is a needed and fair way to fulfill that responsibility. We have scheduled a Trainer re-certification class on Tuesday October 5, 2004 (during WEFTEC) for all Trainers who have not actively trained in the past 18 months. It is a one-day class at no cost to the Trainers. We will also schedule re-certification classes at the UCT Conference in January '05 in Houston and at the No-Dig Show in April '05 in Orlando. I urge you to contact NASSCO to reserve your place in this class if you are going to be at WEFTEC.

We understand that many of you will not be attending any of the 3 major industry conferences and still want to be re-certified so we will make special arrangements on a case by case basis to accommodate as many as possible.

On May 5, 2004 I advised all trainers of the new category of Trainers called Master Trainers who will be certified to train PACP Trainers and Users. All other Trainers are certified to train Users only. The current list of Master Trainers includes: John Jurgens, Rod Thornhill, Irv Gemora, Jim Raulston, Dwane Lay and Dick Eubank. Others are expected to be added shortly. My plan is to have 20 to 30 Master Trainers throughout the U.S. so that each of the 10 EPA Regions will have at least 2 Master Trainers within their areas. The title of Master Trainer does not imply superior knowledge of the industry or even of PACP nor does it imply any exclusive territory for training. It merely certifies that the Master Trainer is actively training and has demonstrated to the PACP Operating Committee an ability to present PACP properly, professionally and represent NASSCO in a positive manner. If you have been actively training and want to be considered for Master Trainer status please contact the NASSCO office by submitting your resume with emphasis on your industry experience.

REMINDERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **REMEMBER TO SIGN UP FOR THE TRAINER RECERTIFICATION CLASS AT WEFTEC 2004!**
- **NEW UPDATES FOR THE MANUAL ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE! POSTED ON 8/17/04**