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IHMM Announces New CHMP Blueprint.

Rockville, Maryland (October 7, 2013) – The Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM) announced a new blueprint for the Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner (CHMP) credential. This new blueprint governs the competency requirements for the CHMP credential. Specifically, the blueprint provides the outline of topics for the CHMP examination and these questions are developed from the blueprint and applicants base their examination study on the blueprint.

All CHMP examinations starting on 1 April 2014 will be based on the new blueprint. Regardless of when an applicant applied for the CHMP certification and/or registered to sit for the CHMP examination, after 1 April 2014 applicants will be taking the exam based on the new blueprint.

The new CHMP Blueprint is the outcome of the “*Job Analysis Revalidation Report*” for the Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner that documents the review of the competency requirements for the CHMP. The Job Analysis Revalidation Report is available from IHMM upon request. The CHMP Examination and Recertification Committees are now working to develop a new CHMP test form, beginning with the reclassification of exam items in the CHMP item bank to match this new CHMP exam blueprint.

“The revised CHMP blueprint ensures to the public that a CHMP certificant is up-to-date with best practices and other current developments in the field,” says Brenda S. Mahan, CHMP and Treasurer and Secretary of the IHMM Board of Directors.

As part of the revalidation process, the IHMM confirmed eligibility requirements. To qualify for CHMP, applicants must have:

- At least 5 years of relevant experience with responsibilities directly related to the handling of hazardous materials and/or waste in the workplace; **OR**
- An Associate Level degree in an applied science or related field, such as in hazardous materials management, environmental science, environmental management, physical or life science or environmental technology from an accredited college or university, plus 3 years of relevant experience as described above.

About the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management

For over 25 years the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management, a not-for-profit organization founded in 1984, has been protecting the environment and the public’s health, safety, and security through the administration of credentials recognizing professionals who have demonstrated a high level of knowledge, expertise, and excellence in the management of hazardous materials.

Over 16,000 homeland security, environmental protection, engineering, health sciences, transportation, and public safety professionals have earned IHMM’s accredited Certified Hazardous Materials Manager credential. IHMM also administers the Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner credential and the Hazardous Materials Manager-in-Training program.

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