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ANSI Awards IHMM Continued Accreditation for 2013 - 2014

ROCKVILLE, Maryland (2 October 2013) – The Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM) is very pleased to announce that the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) has granted IHMM continued accreditation under the International Standard Conformity Assessment, *General Requirements for Bodies Operating Certification of Persons* (ANSI/ISO/IEC 17024), for another year. After a review of IHMM's 2013 Annual on-site audit report, The Personnel Certification Accreditation Committee (PCAC) at their 24 September 2013 meeting officially moved to continue IHMM's accreditation.

“ANSI accreditation offers the Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM[®]) and the Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner (CHMP[™]) credentials the recognition of an independent global validation as hazardous materials professionals,” said Allison A. King, Chair of the IHMM Board of Directors. “IHMM conforms to the highest independent, third party accreditation standard available in the scientific and global communities for the delivery of competency exams.”

ANSI's accreditation program for personnel certification bodies is based on the international standard ANSI/ISO/IEC 17024. In addition to an annual comprehensive review of a paper application, ANSI assessors conduct an on-site assessment every other year to validate information provided by each certifying body. Nearly 2.5 million professionals hold credentials from an ANSI accredited certification body, offering the Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM) and the Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner (CHMP) credentials global reach and recognition.

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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