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ANSI Awards IHMM Accreditation for 2015

ROCKVILLE, Maryland (16 March 2015) – The Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM) is 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 2014 annual on-site audit report, the Personnel Certification Accreditation Committee (PCAC) at their 5 March 2015 meeting officially moved to continue IHMM’s accreditation. ANSI also approved and has granted accreditation under ANSI/ISO/IEC 17024 for the Certified Dangerous Goods Professional (CDGP).

All IHMM credentials – Certified Hazardous Materials Manager, Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner and Certified Dangerous Goods Professional – are now ANSI accredited. “ANSI accreditation offers CHMM, CHMP, and CDGP the recognition of an independent global validation as hazardous materials and dangerous goods transport 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.” “The Dangerous Goods Trainers Association (DGTA) wishes to thank IHMM and everyone on the IHMM Committees for the hard work and dedication in bringing this to reality,” stated Colleen Tieman, Chair of the DGTA Board of Directors. We are excited about having gained this recognition for the CDGP credential and for what it means to the upcoming Certified Dangerous Goods Trainer credential.”

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. ANSI accreditation validates IHMM credentials’ global reach and recognition.

About the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management

For over thirty years the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM), 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 and dangerous goods transport.

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 and the Certified Dangerous Goods Professional credentials.

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