



NH3 Equipment Workshop

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| A. | Welcome | John Rebholz |
| B. | National Fertilizer Inspection Program
(Responsible Ag) | Jean Payne/Kevin Runkle |
| C. | Overview of Accidents & Causes | Jerry Kirbach |
| D. | Equipment Manufacturers Demonstration | |
| | 1. Squibb-Taylor | Pat Hodges & Trey Sands |
| | 2. Continental NH3 Products | Judd Stretcher |
| | 3. Pioneer NH3 Products | Marc Sperry |
| E. | Questions/Comments | |

Background

Recently, there have been incidents involving the fertilizer storage/handling facilities which have brought into question the safety of those facilities and the stewardship needed to address those concerns. IDOA responded to some releases this past season which involved the failure of the quick couplers on a tool bar due to improper installation. Further examination has revealed that improper installation represents a greater problem than originally thought.

As a result, IDOA, IFCA and the equipment manufacturers have joined together in an effort to provide outreach and technical assistance to all vested interests to address this serious problem. A short program has been put together with the unique opportunity to bring all equipment manufacturers together to review proper installation and maintenance to ensure proper operation and safety.

These workshops are being directed to the operations manager at a facility. **Due to space restrictions, please send one representative from each one of your facility locations.** If you need further information, please contact the Illinois Department of Agriculture, (217) 782-3817 or the Illinois Fertilizer and Chemical Association at (309) 827-2774.

Dates & Times

September 18, 2013—Rock Falls Days Inn—Rock Falls, IL--9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

September 19, 2013—Asmark Agricenter—Bloomington, IL--9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

September 20, 2013—KC Hall—Teutopolis, IL—9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

****Registration to attend is not required and there is no fee to attend the workshops.**