



OCTOBER 2003 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TRAINING

The George Meany Center/National Labor College, in cooperation with BMW and 6 other rail unions, will be conducting the following four-day hazardous waste/chemical emergency response training program:

October 5 - 9, 2003 (Silver Spring, MD)

This union-operated training program, eligible for three academic credits from the George Meany Center-National Labor College, addresses OSHA and DOT required procedures and different levels of response and worker protection in case of a hazardous materials emergency or release. Training also includes advanced classroom instruction, intensive hands-on drills, and general safety and health education. The highlight of the course is a simulated hazmat response in full safety gear. Transportation, lodging, and meals are provided for all training participants by a Federal grant. In addition, participants who are unable to receive regular pay through the railroad to attend training are eligible for a stipend of \$428.00. Members selected to participate will be responsible for securing time off duty to attend.

Completed registration forms should be faxed, mailed or e-mailed to the GMC Hazmat office as soon as possible. Online registration for the October 2003 program is also available at www.hazmatgmc.org (click on "course schedules"). Space is limited, and applicants will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. Due to an anticipated large number of applicants, only those selected to attend will be notified via phone and/or e-mail. Completed application form can be mailed to:

Railway Workers Hazardous Materials Training Program
10000 New Hampshire Avenue
Silver Spring, Maryland 20903

Or, for a quicker response, you may call the Railworkers' Hazmat Training office at (301) 493-2440 or the BMW Dept. of Safety and Education at 202-638-2135, ext.12. Thank you!