

Hazmat “Field Training” Program Schedule

The George Meany Center-National Labor College, in cooperation with BMW and 6 other rail unions, has added four hazardous materials training courses for railroad workers to its 2004 schedule. The program addresses the criteria for First Responder Operations Level Training under OSHA 1910.120 and the requirements of the Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazardous Materials Regulations. The program also provides general safety and health training tailored specifically for rail workers.

The additional four-day “field training” courses have been scheduled in the following locations:

March 22-25, 2004 -- Dallas/Ft. Worth, Tex.

March 29-April 1, 2004 -- San Antonio, Tex

April 26-29, 2004 -- Carteret, N.J.

May 17-20, 2004 -- Sacramento , Calif.

Participation in these “field training” programs is limited to rail workers living in the local area. No overnight accommodations will be provided; however, participants who are unable to receive regular pay from the railroad to attend training are eligible for a stipend of \$428 upon completion of the four days of training, and per diem to cover meals and mileage to and from the training facility.

Members who reside within commuting distance of these field program locations are encouraged to apply. Applications may be obtained by contacting the George Meany Center at 301-439-2440 or your System office. Or, you can apply on-line at www.hazmatgmc.org . Due to an anticipated large number of applicants and limited space availability, only those selected to attend will be notified via phone and/or e-mail. Successful applicants will be responsible for arranging time off duty to attend.