

Pollution Prevention Workshops Teach Businesses How To Save Money with Sustainability

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ARLINGTON - The University of Texas at Arlington is offering an interactive pollution prevention (P2) planning workshop to help businesses **save money by reducing waste**, bringing economic benefits through environmental improvement. The course will also help companies comply with the **Texas Waste Reduction Policy Act (WRPA)**.

Zero Waste Network, in conjunction with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), will teach lean manufacturing techniques and other strategies that businesses can use to **improve efficiency while decreasing or eliminating pollution**. Experts in pollution prevention, environmental management systems (EMS), environmental regulations, lean manufacturing and energy efficiency will lead businesses in hands on exercises to **identify waste in their process** and evaluate **money-saving options**.

The workshop is geared toward environmental, health and safety managers, plant managers, production personnel, engineers and related professionals. In past years, workshop participants reported **savings of more than \$400,000** by implementing pollution prevention practices. They also eliminated more than 12,000 pounds of pollution and reported improvement in compliance, energy use and water conservation.

An additional one-day course, **Pollution Prevention and Lean Principles**, is being offered in conjunction with this workshop. Completion of this in-depth training on lean manufacturing, implementation of P2 plans and other green business opportunities can be applied as an elective towards the UT-Arlington OSHA Education Center's **Safety, Health, and Environmental Professional (SHEP) Certification**.

Workshop Dates and Locations:

Dallas/Fort Worth – Sept. 23-24, 2009

Automation & Robotics Research Institute, The University of Texas at Arlington

San Antonio – Oct. 28-29, 2009

Southwest Research Institute

Houston – Nov. 18-19, 2009

Hilton University of Houston

Longview – Dec. 2-3, 2009

Maude Cobb Convention Center

To register, please visit <http://www.uta.edu/ded/env>.

For more information, visit <http://www.zerowastenetwork.org/workshops/> or contact Tamara Kowalski at admin@zerowastenetwork.org or (512) 904-2281.

For more information on P2 planning requirements, see <http://www.p2plan.org/>.

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