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AIHA Registry Programs Signs MOU with SCHC

Establishes Partnership with Society for Chemical Hazard Communication and AIHA®

FAIRFAX, VA, (October 6, 2011) — The AIHA Registry Programs has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Society for Chemical Hazard Communication (SCHC) and the American Industrial Hygiene Association® (AIHA) to establish a proud partnership for the delivery of the new Safety Data Sheet (SDS) and Label Authoring Registry Program. The MOU was signed at the conclusion of the SCHC annual meeting held on October 5th in Washington, DC.

The SDS and Label Authoring Registry Program was developed for professionals who specialize in generating safety data sheets (SDS) and labels. To gain the SDS and Label Author credential, an individual must meet the established qualifications and must demonstrate competency in the skills and knowledge defined by the program's Body of Knowledge.

The SDS and Label Authoring Registry Program recognizes individuals who have the minimum education, training and experience of a hazard communication professional and who regularly demonstrate competency in authoring SDSs and labels. As a result of this collaborative partnership, this Registry Program is the first EHS Specialty Credential that provides recognition for individuals who have expertise in this area and will improve the overall quality of SDSs and labels by motivating individuals to develop the knowledge and skills needed to gain this credential.

For more information about the AIHA Registry Programs, including the SDS and Label Authoring Registry Program, please visit <http://www.aiharegistry.org/programs/EHSSpecialties>.

Participants of the AIHA Registry Programs are qualified individuals competent in a specialty practice area of industrial hygiene, environmental health or safety. Through our application process and regular competency assessments, our registry programs confirm an individual's knowledge and abilities in the practice area. Our programs help to assure a level of quality among professionals and provide confidence to regulators and consumers who are looking for qualified IH and EHS professionals who identify, properly control or remove potential health hazards.