

“Transportation Rail Incident Preparedness and Response: Flammable Liquid Unit Trains” (TRIPR)

Training Program Host Requirements

Thank you for your interest in our “*Transportation Rail Incident Preparedness and Response: Flammable Liquid Unit Trains*” Training Program referred to as the TRIPR program. We will be pleased to schedule the program in your area however we need some assistance from your agency. We require an 8-hour period to present the program. The class will be delivered by one or two members of our instructional staff. This staff consists of Pennsylvania State Fire Academy (PSFA) Adjunct Instructors and Gas Industry experts.

You must agree to advertise the program sufficiently to receive a minimum number of students and we prefer to have 20 or more if possible. We will provide you with an advertisement/flyer for advertising the program. We normally ask people to advertise in their entire county and neighboring counties. Many of the County EMA or Training offices will help with this. If you are not willing to advertise through several methods, registration and turn out may not be sufficient. Please understand we want to reach Fire, HazMat, EMS, Police, EMA, Municipal officials and encourage inviting local railroad officials.

Preregistration is mandatory. **No walk-ins permitted.** The student application will be provided after we receive your class request application. Completed student applications must be returned to the PSFA by noon (three weeks before the class date). We review all applications and verify their status. On that afternoon we will decide if your class will be delivered or must be cancelled due to lack of enrollment. If you collect any completed applications, please **DO NOT** hold them, but send them to the PSFA as soon as you receive them. We will send applicants an acceptance letter or email. Also, we will notify them if the class is full and they are placed on a waiting list.

The day of the program we will require some audio-visual equipment provided. We need a large screen, laptop or other type of computer with PowerPoint and a projector to show PowerPoint and videos from a flash drive. Internet access is desirable. We need speakers other than just the projector speaker. We require a classroom-type setting that can be made dark enough to show PowerPoint and videos along with tables and chairs. That room cannot be the engine room area of a fire or EMS station.

At least one break will be taken during class so refreshments are a good idea but not mandatory.

Any questions contact Jerry Bimle Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM -4:00 PM At 717-247-3752 or via email at gbimle@pa.gov