



EPWG Update

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EPWG Update

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Emergency Planning Working Group

12 members;

Andy Middleton	Northern Gas Networks (Chairman)
Nikki Barker	UKOPA (PIE Secretariat Support)
Andy Fuller	UKOPA (PIE Technical Support)
Bob Wilkins	National Grid
Clive Zanker	BPA
David Butterfield	CLHPS
Robert Greaves	National Grid
Thomas Hawkesworth	Sabic
Steve Carter	Cadent
Paul Boyle	Shell
Steven George	Esso
Marc Hutson	Centrica

1st Meeting - 12th February – Emergency Planning College, York

PERO

- ❑ Developed by UKOPA for UKOPA members
- ❑ No reductions as run at cost
- ❑ 2020 – Cost increase of £27 from £1096 to £1123, 4 dates available
- ❑ Continued support from UKOPA Members
- ❑ Feedback remains very positive
- ❑ Course audit undertaken
- ❑ Supported by the two UKOPA facilitators
 - ❑ Tony Taylor & Donal Cullen, attended last group meeting



PERO – SUGGESTED UPDATES

- ❑ New takeaway from the course including;
 - ❑ Weatherproof folder
 - ❑ Clipboard
 - ❑ Copy of course material
 - ❑ Badged with UKOPA logo
 - ❑ £50 uplift to cost



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PERO - Courses

2020 Dates

March	April	May	June
24 th /25 th	28 th /29 th	27 th /28 th	24 th /25 th
1 Place Available	4 Places Available	5 Places Available	5 Places Available

Contact UKOPA (Nikki) to book your place

Hazard Awareness

Development of 2nd UKOPA Hazard Awareness Training Course with DNV-GL



Hazard Awareness

SWISSGAS +G

 WALES&WEST
UTILITIES

nationalgrid

 SGN
Your gas. Our network.

سابک
sabik

 bpa

 GNI^(UK)
Ltd.

 Northern
Gas Networks

mutualenergy 

INEOS

Cadent
Your Gas Network

Hazard Awareness

Scott Wood – Northern Gas Networks

*I work in the Finance Team as **Head of Commercial Finance** and found the Hazard Awareness Course **one of the most interesting days of my career to date**. To experience up close the hazards and associate danger that igniting uncontrolled gases has was eye-opening and **gave a heightened awareness of how important safety is within our day-to-day operations**. It also allowed me to appreciate how **appropriate levels of financial investment in our network is imperative to prevent catastrophic incidents**. I could not recommend this course highly enough – a superb day that genuinely puts into perspective the importance safety and associated investment is to safeguarding life and property in our network.*

Hazard Awareness



Hazard Awareness



What's next?

- ❑ **Technical briefing note produced on 'UK Regulatory Guidance In The Development & Testing Of Pipeline Emergency Plans' looking at legislative requirements vs good practice**
- ❑ **GPG to follow - 'How To Run An Emergency Exercise'**
- ❑ **Guidance note for senior managers on the role of the PERO and the competencies that the course delivers**
- ❑ **Learnings from Emergency Exercises and production of learning briefs**
- ❑ **Ongoing development of PERO and Hazard Awareness Courses**
- ❑ **Proposed joint GPG with IWG 'Managing Developments Within The BPD'**

What's next?

Thursday 9th July
'Emergency Planning Good Practice Workshop'
Emergency Planning College, York

- Last held in 2013**
- Several presenters including HSE, EA, Operator experience (volunteer/s required!)**
- Interactive sessions including a scenario ran by Tony Taylor and PIE**
- No cost to members**
- Approximately 50 places**
- Overnight accommodation available at the college (£74 DBB)**
- Fantastic facility!**

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Opinion Poll

- 1. If you are an operator who did not send anyone from your company on the Hazard Awareness Course, what was the reason?**
- 2. As an operator sending staff or as an attendee would you be comfortable with HSE attendance at this year's Hazard Awareness Course?**
- 3. In relation to the PERO course, would you be prepared to pay an additional £50 per person for a much enhanced UKOPA badged takeaway from the course that can be used practically in the field?**
- 4. How many places would you like to reserve at the Emergency Planning Workshop?**

EPWG - Meetings

Next scheduled meetings

3rd June 2020 – Skype

8th July 2020 – Emergency Planning College, York

30th September 2020 – TBC

Questions?