THE CENTER FOR THE POLYURETHANES INDUSTRY RELEASES THE SAFE HANDLING OF MDI AND TDI VIDEO SERIES

Training programs focus on informing employers and employees about best transport practices to minimize potential hazards

WASHINGTON (March 26, 2020) – The American Chemical Council’s (ACC) Center for the Polyurethanes Industry (CPI) announced today the release of its updated Safe Handling of Methylene Diphenyl Diisocyanate (MDI) and Toluene Diisocyanate (TDI) video series. These two training programs are designed to inform employers and employees of the potential hazards associated with transporting these materials and best practices to minimize potential risk.

“MDI and TDI are key building blocks used in some of our most useful products including building materials like insulation, roofing, and coatings; comfort materials like mattresses, furniture, and transportation seating; apparel and footwear; and as key components in composites and binders for many uses,” said Lee Salamone, Senior Director, CPI. “Shipments of these materials are often made via highway and rail, and this educational video series reinforces the industry’s commitment to fostering product health and safety.”

The original Safe Handling of MDI and TDI video series was created in the early 2000s and has been a valuable tool for manufacturers and users of these materials. Suitable for remote or in-person instruction, the program is used widely throughout the industry to train thousands of transportation workers and plant personnel across the country, serving as a key component of health and safety training in the polyurethanes industry.

This revised series contains updated regulatory information and offers best practice insight for drum or intermediate bulk container handling, as well as hook up and transfer operations for unloading MDI and TDI from tank containers (isotainers), cargo tank trailers, and rail tank cars. In addition, the video series features information on personal protective equipment, emergency response procedures, and proper disposal of waste.

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chemistry is a $553 billion enterprise and a key element of the nation's economy. It is among the largest exporters in the nation, accounting for ten percent of all U.S. goods exports. Chemistry companies are among the largest investors in research and development. Safety and security have always been primary concerns of ACC members, and they have intensified their efforts, working closely with government agencies to improve security and to defend against any threat to the nation's critical infrastructure.

The business of polyurethane is an $86.6 billion enterprise and a key element of the U.S. economy. The industry directly employs nearly 270,000 Americans and operates in more than 1,000 locations across the United States. A major job creator in the United States, each job in the polyurethanes industry yields four more jobs indirectly.