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MOPIA's 16th AGM Held



MOPIA's 16th Annual General Meeting (AGM) was recently held on Monday, March 29, 2010 at Red River College in Winnipeg.

MOPIA's 2008/09 Annual Report was presented and is now available by request through email. It will also be available for download on our website.

Our Steward members elected members to our Board of Director's. Members elected for a two-year term on MOPIA's Board of Director's were Botho Kramer, Bill Taylor, Don Thomson, Laverne Dalgleish, George Kurowski and Michael Blackey. They all come from a variety of industry sectors. MOPIA welcomes their presence and will appreciate their perspective as the Board meets throughout the year.

This AGM was once again a Green Meeting. All meeting information and documentation was presented live on-screen or available via download.

China Hosts Huge Refrigeration Conference

The 21st International Exhibition for Refrigeration, Air-conditioning, Heating and Ventilation, Frozen Food processing, Packaging and Storage was held in Beijing April 7-9. It's ranked as one of the largest global exhibitions of its kind. The event hosted nearly 1,000 exhibitors in addition too various product presentations and technology seminars.

The theme of the exhibition was "Stay on the Cutting Edge of the Industry, Make Contribution to Low-carbon Emission", which is to fully demonstrate the exhibition's determination of promoting the healthy and sustainable development of the HVAC&R industry and the sense of social responsibility as the world's top professional industry exhibition.

MOPIA Travelling Manitoba

MOPIA will be hosting a series of compliance awareness and consultation workshops across Manitoba beginning in May and into June.

Each of the hour-long sessions will include a complimentary breakfast or lunch for our members. We encourage you to send at least one representative (or more) from your workplace to hear the latest, learn and share concerns.

The goal of the sessions is to highlight some of the past years achievements, remind stakeholders about regulatory compliance responsibilities and share the latest on emerging industry technology.

These sessions are also unique opportunities for our stakeholders (you) to share information or raise issues for us to address as well.

You will be required to pre-register for any of the sessions by sending an e-mail with your name and location selection or by faxing in the registration form which will be found in your 2010-2011 certification renewal (coming at the end of April/early May) or on-line at www.mopia.ca.

We are planning to be in the following locations: Brandon, Winnipeg, Portage la Prairie, Selkirk, Winkler Steinbach, Thompson and anywhere else there is an expressed demand. Let us know if you'd like us in your location!

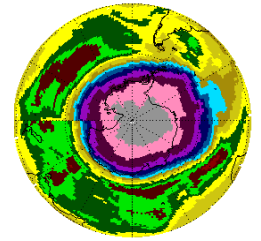


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2010 Earth Day is April 22



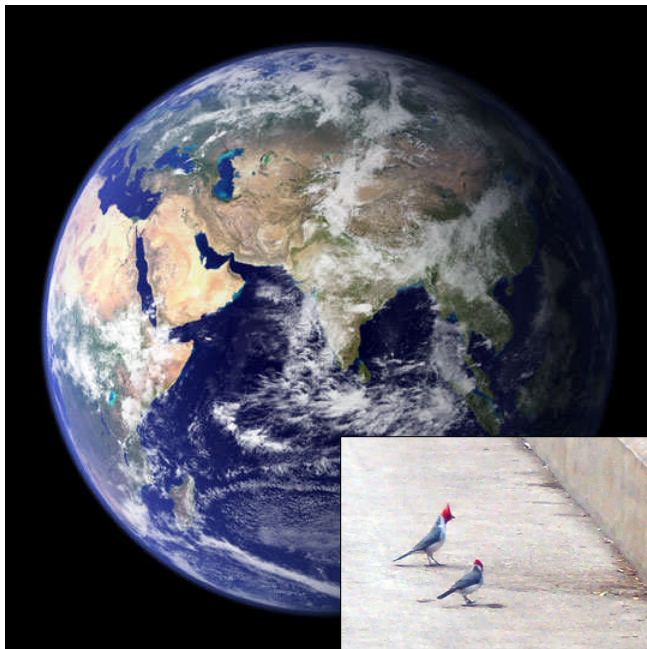
Earth Day 2010 is Thursday April 22. The first Earth Day was held in 1970 originating in the USA. It is now a globally recognized event.

Various events are planned across Manitoba including environmental displays, film showings and outdoor activities. You can see and participate at events – see them posted on the Earth Day Canada website.

Earth Day 2010 on 22 April
www.earthday.ca

World Environment Day on 6 June
www.unep.org/wed/2010/english/

Canadian Environment Week 31 May – 6 June
www.ec.gc.ca/sce-cew/default.asp?lang=En&n=56886AF1-1



Certification Training

MOPIA plans to offer our next one-day environmental and regulation awareness certification training class soon, likely late April or mid May. If you know someone who may be interested or plans to handle regulated products (i.e. refrigerant or parts), they should sign up for our next session. Obtain the training registration form from our website at: www.mopia.ca

Refrigerant Alternatives



Refrigerants, Naturally! is a global initiative of companies committed to combat climate change and ozone layer depletion by substituting harmful fluorinated gases ("F-gases", such as CFCs, HCFCs and HFCs) with natural refrigerants.

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The initiative was launched in 2004 by The Coca-Cola Company, Unilever and McDonald's. Current membership also includes PepsiCo and Carlsberg.

It is recognized as a "Partnership for Sustainable Development" by the UN Commission on Sustainable Development as a voluntary, multi-stakeholder initiative that contributes to the implementation of Agenda 21, Rio+5 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation.

It is supported by Greenpeace and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

They encourage other major companies interested in HFC-free technologies to join the initiative. See:

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