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Sale of Regulated Products on Internet Have Restrictions

Thinking of buying or selling regulated A/C products on-line or through sites like Kijiji or ebay – beware!

While these are legitimate sites, if persons are selling products that are regulated such as HCFC or HFC refrigerants or any parts intended to carry these refrigerants, they can only sell them to persons certified (aka MOPIA card) or companies holding a Secondary Distributor Permit. It's that simple.

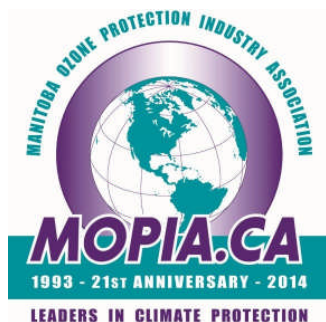
It's also buyer beware though. In past, it has been identified that 30 lb cylinders of refrigerants have been offered for sale as a specifically labelled product, but they were in fact a cocktail of various refrigerants. The labels were fraudulent and the true supplier unknown. Remember, the sale of counterfeit refrigerants is a billion dollar black market, rival to that of the drug trade.

Always know the source from which a product is obtained. Penalties under both provincial and federal legislation are on the books and could be financially crippling. Up to \$50,000 on a first offence and may include prison time and restitution.

Enforcement Environment Officers do monitor internet sales sites and so taking the high road is always best. You don't want to become a poster child for illegal internet commerce.

MOPIA's 20th AGM Held

MOPIA held our 20th Annual General Meeting on April 28th at Red River College in Winnipeg.



Participants heard reports from our Executive Director and information on our programs. In addition, our financial status was highlighted including our audited financial statements for our fiscal period 2012-2013.

Our Annual Report was presented and is available for viewing or download on our website.

Plan to Participate at the Energy & Environment Forum – June 4

MOPIA is collaborating with the Manitoba Water Well Association and The Canadian Shield Foundation in hosting a unique high profile Energy and Climate Forum in Winnipeg Wednesday afternoon and evening, June 4.

The event will include expert presenters including two professors from the University of Manitoba, the President of the International Institute of Sustainable Development (IISD), Curt Hull from Climate Change Connection, a Geoscientist from The Post Carbon Institute and the Presidents from the Manitoba Water Well Association and IGSHPA Canada.

The event is being moderated by former Chair of the Manitoba Clean Environment Commission, Mr. Dale Stewart and The Rt. Hon. Edward Schreyer (former Manitoba Premier, Minister Responsible for Manitoba Hydro and Governor General of Canada).

MOPIA stakeholders are encouraged to attend as the event is a tremendous value at \$40 which includes all speaker presentations and a hot lunch at the Caboto Centre. The event is a non-profit event designed solely to share information on important energy and environmental issues of or day.

You may find more information and the registration form at: www.manitobaenergyandenvironment.com

Next Training Dates

MOPIA has set two more one-day certification training class dates as Saturday, May 31 and Wednesday, June 11. The cost is \$175/pp and you must pre-register. www.mopia.ca



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Certification Renewals in Process

HERE IT IS!
Enclosed is your 2014-2015 Provincial Certification Card

- You are invited to attend one of MOPIA's free breakfast or lunch hour program awareness sessions being held across Manitoba. See the insert or visit www.mopia.ca for dates and locations.
- Please let us know if you change addresses or employers during the year.
- Remember to submit your record data sheets for 2014, by Feb. 1, 2015!
- Remember to visit www.mopia.ca for the latest updates and news.

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MOPIA mailed out all 2014-15 certification renewals at the beginning of May as all technician certifications expire June 1, 2014. The certification requires renewal with payment of the annual \$25 fee, payable to MOPIA. Payment may be made by phone with a credit card or by returning the renewal form via fax, mail or email or by dropping into our offices at 1082 Main Street (just south of Redwood at Aberdeen Ave.) in the North End, Winnipeg between 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Monday – Friday.

An option we have provided for you is payment may be made for 2 years, for convenience and helping us to reduce our environmental footprint and reducing associated costs. This helps significantly to hold and eliminate certain admin., mailing and printing costs as major increases came recently with postage. In future, and with your permission, we hope to email renewals to further reduce our environmental footprint.

Environment Canada Notice

Information gathering on Hydrofluorocarbons under section 71 of CEPA 1999.

The Government of Canada wishes to inform you of the publication of a Notice on Saturday, April 19, 2014, in the Canada Gazette, Part I, Vol. 148, No. 16: www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2014/2014-0419/html/notice-avis-eng.php

Notice with respect to Hydrofluorocarbons.

The purpose of the notice is to gather information on bulk hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), in Canadian commerce, to help inform Canada's position on potential control strategies at the international level. This notice requires information be provided on HFCs in bulk form, specifically for the 2008 to 2012 calendar years.

In order to determine whether this notice applies to you, please see the Guidance Document for completing the CEPA 1999 section 71 Notice. www.ec.gc.ca/ese-ees/default.asp?lang=En&n=94CB22D0-1

Plan to Attend a MOPIA Program Awareness Session

MOPIA will be hosting a series of free one-hour program awareness sessions across Manitoba beginning in June. These sessions will update members of our activities, new product innovations and attempt to assist with regulatory understanding.

MOPIA's Executive Director (Mark Miller) will also be visiting smaller communities and business to better ensure regulatory compliance is known and to identify any stakeholders who are not aware of their responsibilities.

The sessions are free and will include a breakfast or sandwich style lunch. We encourage you to attend, as it's your opportunity to have MOPIA come to your town and to learn and share information.

A full list of the session sites and the registration form are on our website. So far, these locations are planned:

Steinbach	June 17
Winkler	June 18
Brandon	June 19
Portage la Prairie	June 24
Winnipeg	June 25
Dauphin	July 15
Thompson, Flin Flon, The Pas	Aug. 18-20

Manitoba Events Corner

There are many trade sector and industry events happening locally and around the world. Let us know if you have any planned and we'll make them known here:



Manitoba: Energy and the Environment Forum

Climate Change • Water Resources • Energy Resources
Fracking • Alternative Energy

Manitoba: Energy and the Environment Forum June 4
Caboto Centre, Winnipeg, MB / Noon – 5 pm & 7-9 pm
Cost is \$40 and includes a hot lunch
www.manitobaenergyandenvironment.com

RSES Manitoba (May & June events/webinars)
For information, email: custom@customvac.mb.ca or see: www.rses.org/

ATMOsphere America June 14-15, 2014
San Francisco, USA
www.atmo.org/events.details.php?eventid=23

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