

NASPD Steel Pipe Basic Education Course

November 13 – 14, 2017

NASPD OCTG Specialty Education Course

November 15, 2017

Hilton Houston Post Oak, 2001 Post Oak Boulevard, Houston, TX 77056

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Monday, November 13, 2017

- 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Steel Making, Pete Kullen, Metallurgical Engineer, U. S. Steel
Box lunch will be served.
- 12:45 – 2:15 p.m. Methods of Pipe Manufacturing, Gerald Merfish, CEO of Merfish Pipe & Supply
- 2:15 – 2:30 p.m. Break
- 2:30 – 3:15 p.m. OCTG, Beau Urech, VP Tubular Technology, Tubular Synergy Group
- 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. API Line Pipe, Rusty Fisher, Sr. Vice President Sales and Marketing of the Americas, Welspun Global Trade, LLC
- 4:00 – 4:45 p.m. Standard Pipe, Gerald Merfish, CEO of Merfish Pipe & Supply/Pipe Exchange
- 4:45 – 5:45 p.m. Test – Day One (Open Book Test)

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

- 8:30 – 9:15 a.m. Structural Shapes, Square & Rec., and Round Pipe, Jim O’Shea, Product Development, Independence Tube Corporation
Continental breakfast will be served.
- 9:15 – 9:30 a.m. Used/Secondary Pipe, Bill Buckland, President, Mandal Pipe Company
- 9:30 – 9:45 a.m. Break
- 9:45 – 11:00 a.m. Coating, Todd Womble, Vice President, Womble Co., Inc.
- 11:00 a.m. – Noon Quality Control/MTR, Stephanie Sanders, Metallurgist, Berg Steel Pipe Corp.
- Noon – 1:00 p.m. Lunch Break – Deli lunch will be served.
- 1:00 – 2:15 p.m. General Pipe Subjects, Bill Buckland, President, Mandal Pipe Company
Transportation; Pipe Inquiry; Math; Ethics
- 2:15– 4:00 p.m. Test – Day Two (Open Book Test)
- 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour

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Wednesday, November 15, 2017

- 8:00 – 9:45 a.m. Exploring for Energy Products, Tan C. Nguyen, Ph.D., Associate Professor, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology
Continental breakfast will be served.
- 9:45 – 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Exploring for Energy Products (cont.), Tan C. Nguyen, Ph.D.
- 11:00 a.m. – Noon OCTG – Energy Pipe Products, Dave Dufresne, President, Inserpetrol Inc
- Noon – 1:00 p.m. Box lunch will be provided. Videos of the oil industry will be played during lunch beginning at 12:30 p.m.
- 1:00 – 2:45 p.m. OCTG – Energy Pipe Products (cont.), Dave Dufresne
- 2:45 – 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. OCTG – Energy Pipe Products (cont.), Dave Dufresne
- 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Test

The purpose of the Steel Pipe Basic Education Course is to introduce the attendee into the world of steel pipe by offering an overview of its uses and distinct language, production and certification, value added products and its final distribution concepts and methods. The purpose of the OCTG Specialty Education Course is to give the attendee an understanding of the basic market dynamics, standard and customer requirements vs technology and supplier limitations by relating form to function through API standardized terminology associated with oil and gas exploration and production.

The Steel Pipe Basic Education Course qualifies for 10.0 Professional Development hours and the OCTG Specialty Education Course qualifies for 6.75 hours. Both classes are taught in a classroom environment. Cost for the SPBEC is \$750.00 for Members and \$900 for Non-Members. Cost for the OCTG Specialty Education Course is \$450.00 for Members and \$500.00 for Non-Members.

Business practices and ethics are included in the courses. The last revision date is September 2017.

Industry experts created the content based on the things steel pipe distributors need to perform their jobs effectively. A survey is taken following each session to confirm the information was taught in an effective manner.

A test is taken at the end of the course to assess the understanding and absorption of the content presented.