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CATCH UP ON WHAT’S HAPPENING IN PROCESS TECHNOLOGIES AT THIS YEAR’S REGIONAL CONFERENCE. Texas IOF is presenting an energy efficiency session at the upcoming 2010 Process Technology Conference. With 400 attendees in 2009, the 2010 conference is expected to be even bigger and better. Stay current on Distillation, Refining, Petrochemical Technologies, Physical Properties, Reaction engineering/Catalysis, and Environmental Matters, and learn the latest best practices for Energy Efficiency and Process Safety. Go to http://www.aiche.org/Conferences/2010Regional/Galveston.aspx for the program and registration.

TEXAS IOF CALENDAR. Go to the Texas IOF website for program and registration information, unless otherwise specified. Registration open one month prior for Tx IOF events. http://TexasIOF.ces.utexas.edu

- 2010 Regional Process Technology Conference, Texas IOF will be offering a two hour program on energy efficiency. See first story.
- Improving Cooling and Power Efficiency in Data Centers, Nov. 10, San Antonio
- Fundamentals of Compressed Air, Dec. 1, Houston
- Texas Industrial Energy Management Forum, April 7, 2011, Houston

Professional development hours are available for participation in all programs.

CHP Partnership Meeting, Texas Policy Forum & Industry Trade Show -- Nov. 1-3, Austin, TX Co-hosted by the EPA, DOE, and the Texas CHP Initiative, this meeting brings national and regional experts to Austin to discuss CHP policy, best practices, and technology, offering two plenary sessions, 13 breakout sessions, two awards ceremonies, tours of Austin’s Mueller Energy Center and UT Austin CHP plants, and an exhibit hall featuring top CHP equipment manufacturers and services providers. Over 50 speakers will present the latest national trends, provide perspective on fast-growing Texas CHP industry, and describe the latest technology and products. The Texas Policy Forum will consider how CHP and other clean energy technologies might approach the upcoming 82nd Texas Legislature. To register for the event, visit http://www.epa.gov/chp/events/meeting_nov0210.html.

SUPERIOR ENERGY PERFORMANCE GAINS TRACTION INTERNATIONALLY. On July 20, 2010, at the world’s first Clean Energy Ministerial in Washington, D.C., government and corporate leaders announced a new public-private partnership, Global Superior Energy Performance (GSEP). The partnership will accelerate energy efficiency improvements in large buildings and industrial facilities,
which together account for almost 60 percent of global energy use. Under this partnership, governments will establish internationally-recognized certification programs to recognize facilities that adopt approved energy management systems and achieve significant and independently validated efficiency improvements over time. To start, eight companies representing over $600 billion in annual sales and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will pilot the program. You can read more about the Superior Energy Performance, piloted here in Texas, at www.SuperiorEnergyPerformance.net

TEXAS PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION ADOPTS NEW RULES ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS. You can read an analysis of what was adopted at http://www.goodcompanyassociates.com/files/manager/Summary_PUCT_EE_Rule__8-6-10.pdf

LOOKING FOR JOB? Check out the job listings at the Texas Renewable Energy Industry Association at http://www.treia.org/page/jobs. Although primarily focused on renewable energy, it includes other listings pertaining to energy.

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