



## **HOMELAND DEFENSE EQUIPMENT REUSE (HDER) PROGRAM EMAIL BULLETIN No. 1 March 1, 2003**

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**Welcome to the first issue of HDER Program Bulletin - an eNewsletter from the HDER Program. Every month we will deliver the latest news and updates on HDER related issues. Please email us your feedback and suggestions for future content.**

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### **NEWS**

#### **HDER Program Developments**

- The FY03Q2 Services Request Form was sent to State HDER points of contact in January 2003. ODP is currently processing these requests and conducting conference calls with DOE and the State HDER points of contact for those metro areas that have requested equipment.
- The HDER Program Pilot Project will come to an end on March 31, 2003 paving the way for the HDER Program to go nationwide on April 1, 2003. ODP will seek your input on the HDER Program Pilot Project and then create a HDER Program Pilot Project Final Report.
- ODP is sending letters to the State Administrative Agency (SAA) points of contact in all U.S. States, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Territories (who did not participate in the pilot) announcing the HDER Program and asking them to assign a State HDER point of contact for their State. A letter will also be sent to each of the current State HDER points of contact announcing that the HDER Program is now going nationwide.
- ODP is officially part of the Department of Homeland Security as of March 1, 2003.

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### **EVENT HIGHLIGHT**

#### **HPS Mid Year Conference- HDER Training Sessions**

The Office for Domestic Preparedness (ODP) and the Health Physics Society (HPS) sponsored HDER Program training sessions on January 29, 2003 and January 30, 2003 at the HPS Annual Mid-Year Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. These sessions were led by Kerry Thomas (ODP) and George Anastas (HPS). The panel selected to brief the attendees included representatives from ODP, Department of Energy, and DPETAP. Members from the Cascade, Rio Grande, South Texas, North Texas,

Baltimore/Washington, Northeastern New York, New Jersey, Atlanta, Mid-America, Cincinnati Radiation Society, Connecticut, Central Rocky Mountain, Midwest, Florida, North Central, San Diego, Greater St. Louis, and Western Pennsylvania HPS Chapters were among the participants. The points of discussion focused on HPS's support to the program, DPETAP HDER training and the steps involved in HDER services request process.

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### **HDER-01 Training Course Pilot in Philadelphia, PA**

The first HDER Training Course occurred in Philadelphia on February 4-5 and 6-7 at the Philadelphia Fire Academy. Kudos to DPETAP for developing and delivering an excellent training course specifically designed for the HDER Program.

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## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

### **March 2003**

DOE will ship equipment to pilot project metropolitan areas.

### **April 2003**

HDER Program will go nationwide allowing for all fifty U.S. States, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Territories to order equipment, training and local long-term technical support.

### **June 2003**

ODP has been asked to brief the New England Chapter of the Health Physics Society.

### **July 2003**

Annual HPS Conference will take place July 20 – 24, 2003 in San Diego, CA.

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