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Historically, most LPG emergency incidents occur during the winter months and the trend continues this winter. After a non-eventful summer and fall, the calls to the ERAC Emergency Call Centre started to come in. December saw two LPG activations followed by two more in January and one in March; along with 13 notification only calls.



Recruiting RMAs:

ERAC is looking for qualified Remedial Measures Advisor (RMA) candidates in the province of Saskatchewan. If you or someone you know has the experience, knowledge and desire to be an ERAC RMA, please contact me at, don.merriam@erac.org.

2016 Regional Training & Assessments:

Regional training and assessments for 2016 will begin shortly, with the first ones starting in April. After many requests for less classroom and more hands on training, we will be moving to a more hands on training format this year. Information sharing and a tabletop exercise will be covered in the morning on day one, followed by equipment set ups, verifications and practices in the afternoon. The second day as usual, will be the transfer and flaring assessment exercise. The transfer and flaring assessment exercise will now be completed by only a minimum number of the team members to better reflect real activations. All Responders not actively involved in the assessment transfer, will be training and practicing on other skill sets during the same time. I will be asking RMAs to assist in these sessions so that their knowledge and experience can be shared with the Responders.

Confirmed LPG Regional & Assessment dates for 2016 are as follows:

Brantford, ON - ITECH Environmental Services	April 20 & 21, 2016
Montreal, QC - MD-UN	April 27 & 28, 2016
Fort Saskatchewan, AB – Keyera	May 18 & 19, 2016
Saint John, NB - RST Industries	May 30, 31 & June 1, 2016
Abbotsford, BC - Superior Propane	June 9 & 10, 2016
Taylor, BC - Spectra Energy	September 7 & 8, 2016
Barrie, ON - Superior Propane	September 14 & 15, 2016

Regina, SK - Spectra Energy-Empress
Winnipeg, MB - Euroway Industrial Services
Ottawa, ON - Drain-All

October 11 & 12, 2016
2016 dates to be advised
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I look forward to seeing all of you at Regionals this year!