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## WORKSHOPS HELP COMPANIES RESPOND TO EPD HAZARDOUS WASTE REPORTING REGULATION

Companies making plans to comply with Georgia's newest hazardous waste reporting requirement can get assistance at any of five workshops scheduled around the state during January and February.

Sponsored by the Georgia Hazardous Waste Management Authority (GHWMA) and the Georgia Tech Research Institute (GTRI), the workshops will offer one-on-one assistance with developing and submitting waste reduction plans, said project director Carol Foley.

"In the past, large quantity generators had to submit reports on their hazardous waste activities every two years," said Foley, head of GTRI's Pollution Prevention Project. "Part of the process required information on waste reduction. Beginning this year, these industries must develop an actual hazardous waste reduction plan."

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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### **PROGRAM DATES AND LOCATIONS:**

**\*Jan. 29, 1992: MACON -- Macon College, Lecture Complex Building C. Contact Edd Valentine or Carol Foley at (404) 894-3806.**

**\*Feb. 4, 1992: ALBANY -- Darton College, Administration Building. Contact Art Ford at (912) 430-4188.**

**\*Feb. 5, 1992: ATLANTA -- Georgia State University, Urban Life Center. Contact Edd Valentine or Carol Foley at (404) 894-3806.**

**\*Feb. 12, 1992: SAVANNAH -- Coastal Georgia Center for Continuing Education. Contact Peggy Bel, (912) 921-5510.**

**\*Feb. 14, 1992: ROME -- Holiday Inn, Coosa Room. Contact Bob Springfield, (404) 295-6008.**

The law requiring hazardous waste reduction plans was passed in March 1990. All facilities generating more than 2,200 pounds of hazardous waste per month must submit their strategies to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) no later than March 1, 1992.

Examples of waste reduction actions a business might take could include replacing organic solvent-based paints with non-hazardous water-based paints, or not painting items at all.

Each 8:30 a.m. workshop lasts three hours and offers an introduction to hazardous waste concepts, tips

on identifying waste reduction strategies, case studies illustrating reduction practices in action, and directions for completing and submitting the appropriate forms to the EPD.

Managers, engineers, operators and supervisors of facilities that use hazardous substances or generate hazardous wastes could benefit from the program, Foley said.

The course fee is \$50. To obtain a registration form, contact the appropriate location representative at least a week in advance. Those who plan to register at the door must call or fax names and addresses at least two days in advance.