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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

JOHN BENSON SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST (TRAINING AND EDUCATION MANAGER)

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology
Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (1985)

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE:

As Training Coordinator, Mr. Benson provides Safety, Health, and Environmental training involving OSHA compliance, toxic materials such as Asbestos and Lead, and Hazardous Materials handling and emergency response. He is responsible for maintaining and updating training programs, scheduling of courses, and both classroom and hands-on instruction. He is credentialed to teach all Asbestos and Lead handling courses approved for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania under the US EPA Model Accreditation Plan. He is a credentialed HAZWOPER and HAZMAT instructor. Mr. Benson has been in the environmental health and safety field for over 25 years. Working with building owners, architects, engineers, and government agencies, he has designed and implemented numerous environmental remediation projects. As Senior Project Manager, he has managed projects from the initial client contact and proposals through the inspection phase, project design and logistics, bidding, remediation and oversight, to the final closeout report. Mr. Benson brings that experience into the classroom where he manages the Cocciardi training and education program.

CERTIFICATIONS:

- Certified Lead Risk Assessor, Supervisor, and Project Designer
- Certified Lead Renovator
- Certified Asbestos Supervisor, Inspector, Management Planner, and Project Designer
- Accredited Instructor – All U.S. EPA Lead-Based Paint disciplines
- Accredited Instructor – U.S. EPA Lead Renovation, Repair, and Painting
- Accredited Instructor – All U.S. EPA Asbestos disciplines
- Licensed Asbestos Inspector
- NSC Accredited Instructor – First Aid, CPR, and AED
- NIOSH 582 Certified Microscopist
- HAZWOPER 40 hour Certified (HAZARDOUS WASTE OPERATIONS)
- Confined Space Certified – Entrant, Attendant, Supervisor, Rescue

SELECT PROJECT EXPERIENCE:

- Project: County Unified Courts Complex Project: Toxic and Hazardous Materials Management
- Description: Mr. Benson was involved from the earliest stages of this \$250 million renovation of a County Courts Building. He provided asbestos and hazardous material inspections, design and cost estimating assistance, and project management for the demolition of one building, and the renovation of two other buildings. He provided on-going support for the owner and the architectural firm throughout the renovation project, testing as new materials were exposed during the renovation project, and providing project management and air monitoring during the abatement activities.
- Project: County Lead Hazard Control Program
- Description: Mr. Benson was involved with a County Lead Hazard Control Program for almost 20 years. In that time, he provided Lead-Based Paint inspections, Risk Assessments, Project Design, Project Management, and Clearance sampling for over 1,500 houses, including locations where childhood Lead poisoning was reported.
- Project: International Airport: Toxic Material Control Program: Asbestos
- Description: Mr. Benson supplied asbestos consulting services to an international airport for over 20 years. Providing Inspections, Project Design, and Air Sampling, he was also involved in the \$20 million airport renovation and baggage screening project and the recovery efforts from the Good Friday Tornado. On call, Mr. Benson was available for immediate response to catastrophic damages, as well as scheduled surveys required for renovation activities.
- Project: University Project
- Description: Mr. Benson provided Asbestos, Lead-Based Paint, and Mold consultation to a large, mid-western University for 20 years. Numerous projects were performed every year, including inspections, design, and project monitoring. Prior to demolition of structures, Mr. Benson inspected buildings for which he provided the abatement specifications.