



Impact Your Approach to Direct Assessment

“**C**hallenges, Opportunities, and Case Studies” is the focus of the External Corrosion Direct Assessment (ECDA) Seminar, to be held in Houston, Texas, from January 28 to 30, 2008, hosted by NACE International and co-sponsored by *Materials Performance* and *Pipeline & Gas Journal*.

With new federal and state regulations in development for pipeline integrity and new industry standards and technologies, this is a period of great change for pipeline personnel charged with overseeing ECDA programs.

This seminar addresses the challenges dealing with casings, concrete, and asphalt; advancements in technology related to ECDA; the limitations of ECDA; and real-life case studies. The three-day program benefits pipeline integrity managers, asset managers, corrosion engineers, field technicians, and regulators.

Program highlights include a speaker from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), who will discuss the regulatory focus on ECDA. The seminar also includes exhibits, networking events, and a luncheon.

Visit www.nace.org/ecda08 for more information or to register. (—*Prairie Koen*) **MP**



Experts Solicited for Standards Review

The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) has issued 42 published standards for systematic (every five years) review. NACE administers two ANSI-accredited Technical Advisory Groups (TAGs) to Technical Committee 35 (Paints and Varnishes): SC 12, Preparation of steel substrates before application of paint and related products, and SC 14, Corrosion protection of steel structures by protective paint systems.

Because of the large number of standards to be reviewed, the TAGs are soliciting assistance from persons knowledgeable in these subject areas. Once reviews and comments are compiled, the TAGs will submit their affirmative or negative vote, which represents the U.S. position, and any pertinent comments on each of the standards up for review. The review deadline is mid-March 2008.

The SC 12 review involves all or parts of seven different standards. The SC 14 review consists of six parts of ISO 12944.

If you would be willing to review one or more of these standards, please contact the TAG Administrator at tom.aiken@nace.org. You will be furnished with a list and synopsis of each standard; the standard(s) you choose will then be e-mailed to you in pdf format for review. (—*Tom Aiken*) **MP**

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