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6:00 PM 8:00 PM Exhibitor Set-Up

8:00 PM 9:00 PM Welcome Reception

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Monday, October 25, 2021

7:00AM 5:00 PM Registration

7:00 AM 8:00 AM Breakfast

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8:00 AM 8:30 AM Welcome and Opening Remarks: Chairman Michael Heltzer, BASF

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8:30 AM 9:30 AM Opening Keynote: Dr. Tracey Wilen

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Digital Disruption: Leadership, Gender & Generations

The world is in disruption! You are at the forefront of rapid change. The continued accelerated pace of technology, and competitive forces is causing workplace environments to become more volatile and in need of disruptive leaders, employees to challenge the status quo, and educators to ensure student readiness.

9:30 AM 10:00 AM Networking Break

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10:00 AM 11:00 AM Breakout Sessions

Breakout 1

Forty-Five Years After the Spill Act: What Has Changed, What Remains the Same, and What Does the Future Hold?

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The panel will discuss the history of the Site Remediation Program in New Jersey, from its groundbreaking enactment of the Spill Act in 1976, to the development of ECRA/ISRA in 1983, and more recently the "brave new world" that was ushered in by the Site Remediation Reform Act in 2009. Focusing on the lessons learned with each legislative development, the panel will discuss the impacts of SRRA 2.0, the current science of remediation, and the ever-changing and complex relationship between LSRPs and Responsible Parties.

Breakout 2

New Solutions to Old Problems - NJ's Stormwater Management Rules and Green Infrastructure

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Recent updates to the NJ Stormwater Management Rules embody NJDEP's renewed commitment to its mandate to improve (not simply maintain) the quality of New Jersey's surface water. Historically focused on groundwater recharge and flood mitigation, the greater emphasis on water quality leaves many of the traditional compliance strategies insufficient. This session will provide an overview and understanding of these recent updates.

Breakout 3

Best Practices in Evaluating Environmental Compliance and Permitting Obligations for Changes at a Chemical Facility

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Managing environmental compliance at chemical facilities is full of challenges. We have seen several chemical regulations be revised recently. Additionally, chemical facilities frequently evaluate changes to their process to accommodate ever changing technologies and customer demand. Facility changes can trigger many questions including, will emissions be impacted, effect on notifications, potential triggering of NSPS or MACT standards, does retesting need to be completed, etc. This presentation will discuss recent chemical rule changes and what subject facilities should be doing to manage compliance with the revised rule(s). Additionally it will feature best practices for managing facility and process changes from a permitting and regulatory perspective

11:00 AM 12:00 PM **The Art of the Possible: Mega-Trends and Insights That are Shaping the Future of Industry**

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Over the next 5 years, the chemical industry will face workforce, social, environmental, and technological transformations with profound implications for investors, stakeholders, and businesses. We will share key findings from research on trends and disrupting forces (like CoVID-19) that will impact businesses over the next 5 years and beyond.

12:00 PM 1:00 PM Lunch

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Afternoon Keynote: Barie Carmichael

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RESET: Business and Society in the New Social Landscape

As consumers, our access to—and appetite for—information about what and how we buy continues to grow. Powered by social media, we scrutinize the companies behind familiar products and are disappointed when their actions do not meet our expectations. With citizens acting as 24/7 auditors of corporate behavior, one formerly trusted company after another has had their business disrupted with astonishing velocity. Control of the corporate narrative has shifted to engaged stakeholders in the new social landscape, requiring a radical change to company practices.

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Drive toward a Circular Economy: Impact on the Chemical Industry

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The demand for a circular economy is growing at an accelerated pace, while the demand for chemicals is high and growing. The time is now to chart a course for sustainable business growth within this context. This panel session will present the vision for the future of the chemical industry as it evolves to meet the future goals of a circular economy. The panel will be comprised of representatives from traditional and newer chemical companies, active in various parts of our industry who are taking some steps in this direction.

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Breakout Sessions

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Get Ready for Perimeter Air Monitoring!!!

Much like the 2013 Vapor Intrusion Guidance (VIG) document, the forthcoming guidance document on Perimeter Air Monitoring (PAM) has the potential to create similar action at NJDEP SRP/LSRP sites in regard to perimeter air monitoring. This talk will discuss the fundamentals of PAM as well as risk management issues.

Breakout 5

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Whose PFAS is This? Forensic Tools to Distinguish PFAS Sources and Liabilities

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are widely distributed in the environment and considered toxic at very low concentrations, and as a result have attracted considerable regulatory, public, and political scrutiny. Once PFAS are detected at a site, the difficult questions include, "what is the source?" and "who is responsible?" This session will feature a five-part strategy to address these questions: conceptual site model development, statistical evaluation of PFAS compound distributions, consideration of chemical structural characteristics, fingerprint compound identification, and non-target analysis. Each element of the strategy is summarized with examples of its application, to illustrate how these tools can be applied to determine where the PFAS are from and where the liability may lie.

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Shifting Long-Term Monitoring Programs Toward Sustainability

Long-term Groundwater monitoring programs represent a significant investment that is rarely reviewed in terms of sustainability. An optimized groundwater monitoring program can reduce waste generation, energy use, and transportation impact, as well as reduce the costs of site monitoring. These "Green and Sustainable Remediation" measures have scientific backing and their adoption will not compromise program efficacy.

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Networking Break

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New Jersey's Policy Makers

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Invited legislators will share their legislative priorities and answer questions from the audience.

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After Dinner Reception

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Tuesday, October 26, 2021

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8:00 AM 8:15 AM Exhibitor Door Prizes

8:15 AM 9:15 AM Environmental Justice 2021 Year in Review: Recent State and Federal Initiatives, Developments, and Impacts

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Environmental justice is a stated priority for both New Jersey and the federal government. Over the course of 2021 and into 2022, we expect legislators, regulators, and their constituents to prompt environmental justice to be further integrated into state and federal laws, rules, and agency operating standards. This session will summarize recent (2021) and upcoming (2022) environmental justice initiatives and developments, both at the New Jersey and federal levels, and highlight their actual and expected impacts on the industry's interfacing with environmental regulatory programs and the professionals operating within.

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10:15 AM 11:15 AM New Jersey's Proposals for Protecting Against Climate Threats (PACT)

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Earlier this year, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection proposed dramatic new rules intended to cut greenhouse gas emissions and adapt its land use programs to unavoidable impacts of climate change. These proposals include significant new requirements affecting the industry. For example, ratcheting down CO2 emissions from boilers, the burning of fuel oil and electric generating units and regulations affecting critical infrastructure through a Resilient Environment and Landscapes (REAL) initiative to address impacts of flooding and sea level rise. This program will review the state proposals and direction, as well as the input and comments of stakeholders in this proceeding.

11:15 AM 12:00 PM ESG and Value Creation

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Environmental, social, and governance (ESG) issues are at the forefront of every discussion in corporate America. PwC says that "77% of institutional investors" will stop buying non-ESG products entirely by 2022. And it's only the beginning. If you have not been paying attention, you are falling behind. This session will feature a brief introduction to ESG, why it is important, and how it creates value for your organization. Investors, regulators, and other important stakeholders are already demanding that you pay attention.

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