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## 14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL Salinas Valley Ammonia Safety Day Thursday, May 24, 2007



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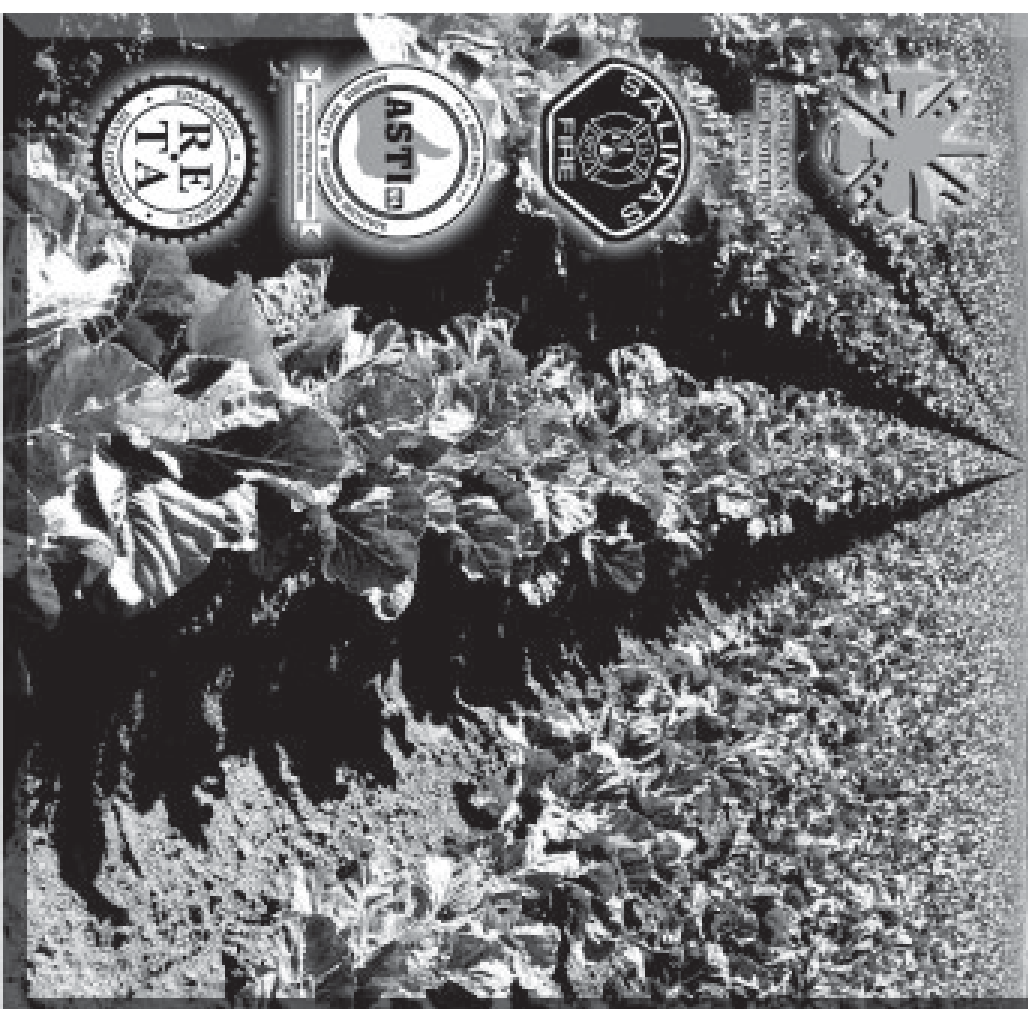
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### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

JOE PEZZINI  
 OCEAN MIST FARMS

*The spinach crisis of 2006: Where Have We Been and  
Where Will We Go From Here*





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**SALINAS VALLEY AMMONIA SAFETY DAY SCHEDULE**  
THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2007 • 7 AM – 4 PM • SALINAS COMMUNITY CENTER • 940 N. MAIN STREET

**MORNING SESSIONS**



**AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS**

7:00 am  
**Check In** – Please help yourself to coffee, donuts, and muffins

7:50 am  
**Welcome and Overview** – Don Tragethon, Western Precooling Systems

8:00 am  
**Health & Physiology of Ammonia Exposure**

Understand the risks, know the hazards and learn how to protect yourself from accidental exposures of ammonia  
Dr. Tim Brady, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

8:45 am

**Lessons Learned From Recent Ammonia Release Accidents:** What we have learned from investigations of recent ammonia release accidents  
Kent Anderson, Executive Director, International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration (IAR)

9:45 am

**Break**  
Visit the vendor tables and displays and enjoy coffee, donuts, and muffins

10:15 am

**E. Coli: Health and Environmental Issues:** What is it? Where does it come from? How does it affect us? How can we control it?  
Dr. Hugh Stallworth, Health Officer Monterey County Health Department

11:00 am

**The Spinach Crisis of 2006:** Where have we been and where will we go from here  
Joe Pezzini, Ocean Mist Farms

11:45 am

**Introduction to Afternoon Emergency Response Exercise**  
Gary Smith, Ammonia Safety & Training Institute (ASTI)

12:00 pm (noon)

**Lunch**

Five afternoon workshop tracks will be presented with each featuring three 50-minute sessions. You will be able to attend three different sessions depending on your interests and needs.

**WORKSHOP A – EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

1:00-1:50 pm **Medical Treatment of Ammonia Exposures for First Responders** – Battalion Chief Sid Turner and Captain Rick Williams, Salinas Fire Department  
2:00-2:50 pm **Emergency Response to Ammonia Release Incidents** – A big picture view of the factors involved in a release from first awareness through recovery. – Chief Gary Smith, ASTI  
2:50-3:15 pm **Break**

3:15-4 pm **Simulated Ammonia Release and Emergency Response Demonstration** – A demonstration of an ammonia release and emergency response situation using the RETA Monterey Bay Chapter's ammonia refrigeration training system. – Gary Smith, ASTI; Chief Ron Stefani, North County Fire District, Sonny Basaldua, Americold Logistics, and Monterey County Operational Area HAZMAT Response Team

**WORKSHOP B – FOCUS ON MANAGEMENT & SUPERVISORS**

1:00-1:50 pm **Release Reporting: The Sequel** – How and when to report small ammonia releases – Bruce Weiden, Monterey County Health Department, Kim Snowden, PE, Snowden Engineering, Michael Schreck, PSIG  
2:00-2:50 pm **Storm Water Pollution Prevention: Best Management Practices (BMPs)** – Carl Kline, Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency  
2:50-3:15 pm **Break**

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**WORKSHOP C – FOCUS ON SYSTEM OPERATORS & TECHNICIANS**

1:00-1:50 pm **Basics of Refrigeration** – An introduction to basic refrigeration concepts and equipment used in industrial refrigeration systems – Russell Ramos, Joseph Schauf Company  
2:00-2:50 pm **Controls and The Future of Robotics** – Equipment and systems are operated by controls. What sort of automation is coming to our industry? – Gary Elk, WAG Automation  
2:50-3:15 pm **Break**

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**WORKSHOP D – SESIÓN BASICA EN ESPAÑOL (SPANISH SESSION BASIC)**

1:00-1:50 pm **Lo basico sobre el Equipo de Protección Personal y las Leyes que protegen al medio ambiente** (*Basics of personal protective equipment and environmental laws and regulations. Followed by the Basics of Refrigeration and Vacuum Cooling*) – Mario Barba, Foxy Produce Co.  
2:00-2:50 pm **Seguido por las Bases Sobre la Regrigeración y el Enfriado por medio de Vacío** – Una Introducción a los Conceptos Basicos de Refrigeración y Equipo (Ammonia Health & Safety)  
Pablo Escarcega, Western Precooling Systems  
2:50-3:15 pm **Break**

3:15-4 pm **Demonstración – Simulacro de fuga de Amoniaco** (*Simulated Ammonia Release and Emergency Response Demonstration*) – Gary Smith, ASTI; Chief Ron Stefani, North County Fire District, and Sonny Basaldua, Americold Logistics, and Monterey County Operational Area HAZMAT Response Team

**WORKSHOP E – SESIÓN AVANSADA EN ESPAÑOL (SPANISH SESSION ADVANCED)**

1:00-1:50 pm **Refrigeración Avansada – Conceptos Electricos Aplicados en Refrigeración**  
Renato Olivera, Western Precooling Systems  
2:00-2:50 pm **Break**  
2:50-3:15 pm **Demonstración – Simulacro de fuga de Amoniaco** (*Simulated Ammonia Release and Emergency Response Demonstration*) – Gary Smith, ASTI; Chief Ron Stefani, North County Fire District, and Sonny Basaldua, Americold Logistics, and Monterey County Operational Area HAZMAT Response Team  
3:15-4 pm

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Afternoon Sessions – You are welcome to attend more than one session; please indicate your preference (*check only one!*) – Admission is FREE

WORKSHOP PREFERENCE  
*(see afternoon descriptions at left)*

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**ADMISSION IS FREE**

**LOCATION**  
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**TIME COMMITMENT**  
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**ATTENDANCE RECORD**  
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