



**"The Superfund Amendments of 2002
and what they mean to Phase I and Phase II audits –
and the people who perform them"
Presented by Mr. Dick Brickwedde, Esq.**

On January 11, 2002, President Bush signed into law "The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act" which requires EPA to adopt regulations governing Phase I and Phase II audits. The law also amplified the Innocent Land Owner Defense, defined the term Bona Fide Prospective Purchasers, created Windfall Liens and defined Contiguous Property Owner Defenses. In addition, the law adopted interim standards for audits. Anyone performing an audit, reviewing an audit or involved in property or business transfers needs to be aware of the most significant changes in CERCLA since the 1986 SARA Amendments.

Presenting January's program is Mr. Dick Brickwedde, an experienced environmental attorney. Dick attended the NYS College of Forestry (now ESF), and graduated from both Syracuse University and the Fordham University College of Law. After working in Washington, DC both before and after law school, he returned to Syracuse to practice law. From 1980 through 1991 he was the Regional Attorney for the NYSDEC in Central New York and was acting Regional Director for six months. Since 1992 he has headed the environmental law practice at Green & Seifter, PLLC, a mid-sized, full service law firm in Syracuse. Dick has also been a CNYAPG member for

many years and a great supporter of our organization. We trust that this program will be a valuable educational tool for our membership – especially those who work in the consulting field.

Meeting logistics: The meeting will take place on Thursday, January 16 at the Genesee Inn, 1060 East Genesee Street, Syracuse, NY. A social hour will be held at the Inn from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner. The dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. and our featured speaker, Dick Brickwedde, will begin his program at 7:30 p.m. The cost of dinner is \$20 for members, \$22 for non-members, and \$15 for student members. Please RSVP by Monday, January 13, 2003 to Christin Gachowski at (315) 853-3827 or by e-mail cmgachowski.jtm@prodigy.net

DIRECTIONS: To get to the Genesee Inn, take the Route 690E exit from Route 81S. Take the first exit off of 690 (Teal Avenue) and turn right at the bottom of the off-ramp. Go approximately 1 mile (crossing Erie Boulevard) and turn west (right) onto Genesee Street. The inn is on the south side of the street, between Crouse and University Avenues.

Calendar

Thursday, January 16, 2003	CNYAPG Monthly Dinner Meeting, Genesee Inn, Syracuse, NY. <i>"The Superfund Amendments of 2002 and what they mean to Phase I and Phase II Audits – and the people who perform them"</i> , by Mr. Dick Brickwedde, Esq. From 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. there will be a social hour, followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. sharp. Mr. Brickwedde's talk will begin at 7:30 p.m.
March 13, 2003	CNYAPG Monthly Dinner Meeting, Genesee Inn, Syracuse, N.Y. Dr. Curt Stager. Killer Lakes of the Cameroon . From 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. there will be a social hour, followed by dinner at 6:15 p.m. Our speaker's talk will begin at 7:00 p.m.
April 2, 2003	CNYAPG Short Course, Genesee Inn, Syracuse, NY. Full course outline, times and speaker list will be released shortly.

Our President's Voice –

I hope that each of you had a very relaxing and enjoyable holiday season. The New Year is the time to reflect on the year past and to think of ways that we can improve in 2003. It is the 10-year anniversary of CNYAPG, and we are very thankful to each of you who have helped our organization in some way. Not only does that include our former officers and board members, but also it includes each of our members who have paid their dues, attended our monthly meetings and allowed us to continue to serve the geologic community in upstate New York.

As we think of ways to improve I have to emphasize once again that membership levels need to increase. As a New Year's resolution I ask that those of you who are not yet members and are part of the geologic community in upstate New York (I know who you are!) consider being part of our organization. I believe that our profession, like engineers, architects, and others, should take responsibility for its own continuing education opportunities. CNYAPG maintains our professional standing in both the scientific and wider community. Plus, it is truly enjoyable to come together with fellow geologists with similar interests and learn something new. If you are not a member, I am always accessible and welcome the opportunity to talk with you about how we can increase participation in our organization. Come to a meeting, see what we're about, and I know you will join our organization.

I look forward to seeing the familiar and hopefully some new faces in 2003. Happy New Year!

Christin Gachowski

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Future programming –

CNYAPG has some great programs lined up for 2003. We are combining our February and March meetings into one event featuring the North Country's Dr. Curt Stager. Curt is a Full Professor at Paul Smiths College and an accomplished musician. Curt's program will combine his love for music and a technical talk on the "Killer Lakes of the Cameroon".

Our April short course has been re-scheduled for **April 2nd**. This short course features several nationally known speakers and a great technical program. The course combines three diverse topics into one excellent program. The program will include a presentation on dye trace studies in unconsolidated aquifers. This is a new field technique that deserves your attention. The second set of presentations features various speakers on the development of new natural gas sources within New York State. As a lunch speaker, we will feature Dr. Jean Bahr, the current Birdsall lecturer, from the University of Wisconsin. Our program will conclude with an after-dinner presentation by Dr. Don Siegel on the results of his isotope studies in the Saratoga Springs. If you would like to assist us with this program in any way, please contact Bill Morrow (437-1429).

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