



APERI Update

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Alabama Pipeline Emergency Response Initiative

The mission of the Alabama Pipeline Emergency Response Initiative (APERI) is to advance the ability of Alabama First Responders to recognize, manage, and mitigate a pipeline incident through improved training, communication, and cooperation with Pipeline Operators.

- ✓ Enhance responders understanding of pipeline risks and hazards
- ✓ Strengthen relationships through engagement in the interest of public safety
- ✓ More effective way for operators to meet the intent of public awareness and liaison requirements



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Benefits to Emergency Responders

Training developed by
Emergency Responders and
Pipeline Operators

Training delivered to "first in"
emergency responder

Local pipeline operator
involvement to build
relationships

Training delivered by Emergency
Responders

Meets annual training
requirements

Response area specific
information from local pipeline
operators



Training Update

Training Began July 2021

50 classes

839 first responders

165 individual agencies



Training Update

Core APERI
Training Classes

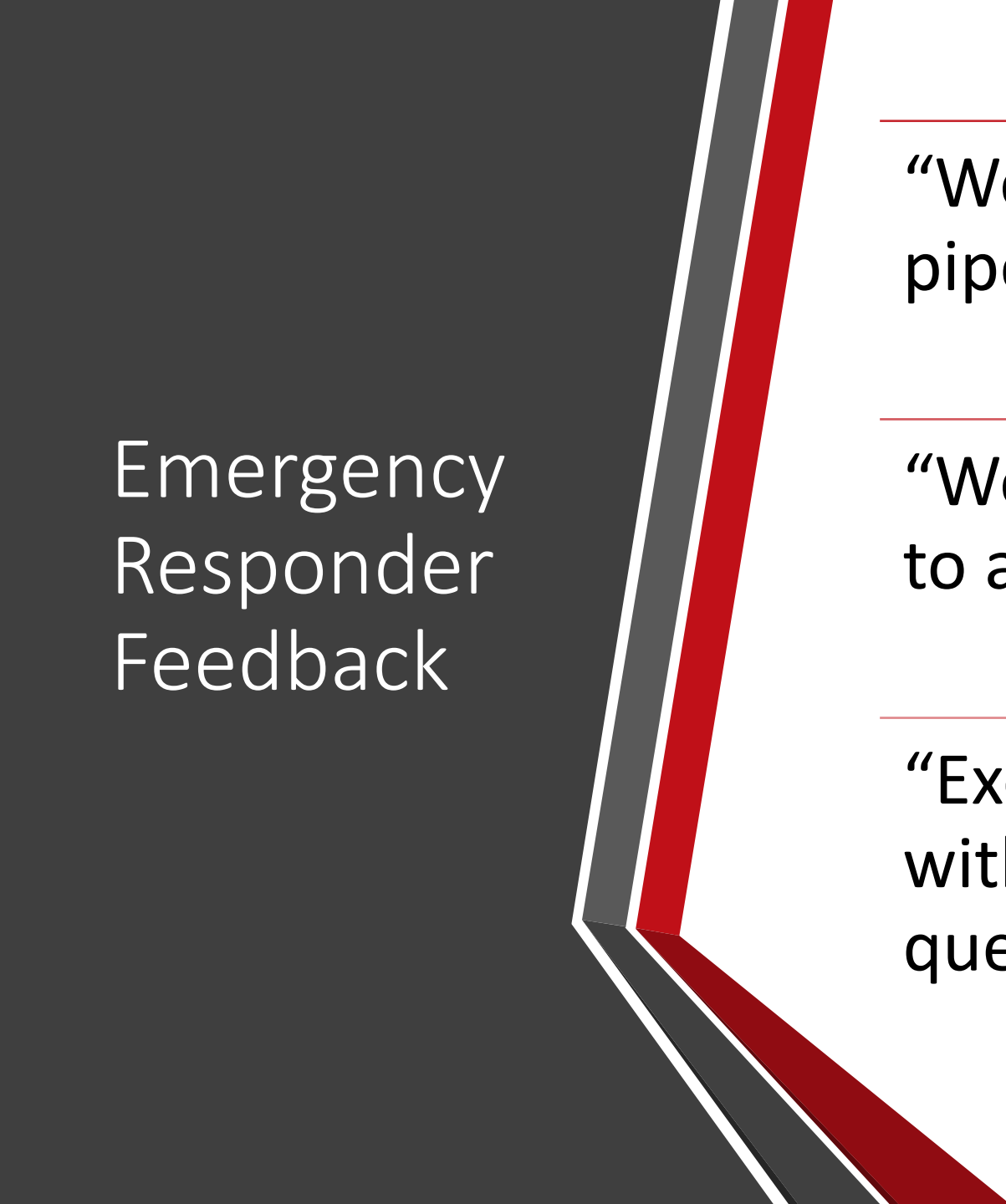
APERI Modules
in Hazmat
Curriculum

APERI Module
for 911
Dispatchers



Training Footprint





Emergency Responder Feedback

“We have never had training on pipelines before”

“We had no idea how to respond to an incident involving a pipeline”

“Excellent Training information and with pipeline experts to answer questions”



Working Together

**SHARED
RESPONSIBILITY**

Not just a pipeline operator's problem
Not just an emergency responder's problem
We ALL assume responsibility



The Value of Membership

Emergency Plans - 192.615

- Maintain liaison with appropriate fire, police, and other public officials

Public Awareness - 192.616

- Pipeline safety and emergency education to emergency officials and public officials

Documentation

- Training Information
- Class Sign-In Sheets
- Contact Information
- Survey Data
- Agency Capabilities



The Value of Membership

APERI Vault

View View Group

Other Views: APERI (109 items)

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The Value of Membership

Perseverant Stakeholder Management Software

Upcoming Introduction to APERI SMS Webinars

January 16th & 17th 2024





Operator Feedback

“I attended a meeting in Tuscaloosa and was impressed by the content presented by Don. The 1st responders in attendance paid attention and asked excellent questions during and after the presentation and were very appreciative of the efforts that were being made.”

--Liquid Operator



Operator Feedback

“What jumped out at me as I went through the class with Don, is that it is designed for firefighters and delivered by firefighters. Having said that, the operator input and opportunity to get to know and be asked questions by your local fire departments is tremendously important from an operator's perspective. If there is an APERI class going on in an operator's service area, they really should want to be a part of it.”

--Distribution Operator



Operator Feedback

“This is a great way to comply with the training and documentation of training for following code 192.615 section C. I know from experience that once you establish this relationship, and the emergency happens if everyone knows what’s expected of them it makes things much easier on everyone involved. It is also a great way to document supplemental training for 192.616 public awareness. APERI in my opinion is defiantly worth the money they will spend for the training that is involved. I am very excited to see this much needed APERI program in our state and look forward to many years of training to the fire industry.”

--Distribution Operator



Investment

Distribution Operators

	NUMBER OF SERVICE LINES	COST PER TIER
Tier 1	0 - 499	\$ 200.00
Tier 2	500 - 1499	\$ 300.00
Tier 3	1500 - 2499	\$ 450.00
Tier 4	2500 - 4999	\$ 600.00
Tier 5	5000 - 9999	\$ 750.00
Tier 6	10000 - 19999	\$ 900.00
Tier 7	20000 - 39999	\$ 1,100.00
Tier 8	40000 - 79999	\$ 1,500.00
Tier 9	80000 - 159999	\$ 1,850.00
Tier 10	160000 +	\$ 2,100.00

***APACT Members receive a \$100 discount**

Transmission & Liquid Operators

APACT Members: \$500 per County

Non-APACT Members: \$700 per County



Becoming a Member

— A PRIVATE-PUBLIC PARTNERSHIP TO IMPROVE PIPELINE SAFETY IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Alabama Pipeline Emergency Response Initiative (APERI)

Major Pipeline Emergencies are High Risk/Low Frequency. However, there have been several large events in our state over the last few years. All of us, including the Operator and Emergency Responder, need to be prepared.

Incidents are often worsened by Emergency Responder involvement instead of being neutralized. Contributing factors to this include a lack of training, a lack of initial education, a lack of experience, and a rise in false alarm calls.

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