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First CoC Workshop **Set for May 5th**

To kick off our new partnership with Scientific Certification Systems (SCS), PIAMS has scheduled an introductory session for companies interested in the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) and Chain of Custody certification. Denver based SCS auditor, Lindsay Barczuk, will be presenting a workshop on the FSC and how to obtain Chain of Custody. This workshop will be a great opportunity for those who are considering certification and will help demystify the process of preparing for an audit. All attendees will be eligible for the 10% discount from SCS. The presentation will also include information on SFI and PEFC certification.

The exact timeframe has not been established yet but please block out enough time to cover a 2 hour morning session. To pre-register call Kathy Lauerman at 303.771.1578.



American Printer **in Conjunction with NAPL**

has recently announced its second annual **Environmental Excellence Awards** celebrating the commercial printing industry's commitment to environmental sustainability.

Award categories and directions for entering the competition are attached to this issue of PIAMS Weekly News. For additional information contact Katherine O'Brien at 312.840.8401 or KOB@americanprinter.com.

Registration Deadline April 10th



April 21, 2009 at The Brown Palace Hotel

[Click Here to Download Reservation Form](#)

An Irresistible Comment

"The reason congressmen try so hard to get re-elected is that they would hate to have to make a living under the laws they've passed." **Ya Think??**

Standard Mail Move Update Charges **Postponed**

The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) has extended implementation of the Standard Mail Move Update non-compliance charge from May 11, 2009, to Jan. 4, 2010. The charge applies to Standard Mail mailings that fail to fully comply with the Move Update standards. Delaying implementation allows extra time to provide our Standard Mail customers with additional feedback from our new postage verification systems, but does not relieve mailers of their obligation to comply with the Move Update standard if they intend to claim automation or Presort prices.

The new Move Update verification procedures will not be used to assess additional postage for First-Class Mail or Standard Mail at the time of mailing until January 2010. However, as noted above, customers are still required to comply with the Move Update standards in the Domestic Mail Manual."

This change does not mean you can put off complying with Move Update – from what we understand you can be fined retroactively.

Other Postal News

We also understand that the Postal Regulatory Commission decided to hold rates at the CPI level even though the law gave them the power to go further in light of the current postal deficit. They expressed the reality that further rate increases would drive down volume and be self-defeating.

Postal 9-1-1 Webinar

George Heinrich, The Postal Professor, will be hosting a



Postal 9-1-1 Webinar "What the Heck is Happening to Our Mail?!?!" on April 28th from Noon – 1:30 p.m. MDT that includes "Move Update Compliance and Penalties" and the ***brand new Tabbing Regulations for Letter sized Booklets***. We highly recommend this

webinar which will give you the latest and most accurate information. It will also cover the May 11th Price and Rule Changes. For just \$99 you and your staff can take advantage of this session right in your facility. To find out more go to www.postal911.com on Monday or call 303.325.3048.