

2026 SPCC Workshop

April 20-22, 2026

Swissôtel Chicago – Chicago, IL

Monday, April 20, 2026

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| 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Registration Open - Badge Pickup (Vevey Foyer) |
| 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM | Welcome Reception – Open to all delegates & registered guests (Vevey 3 & 4) |

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

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| 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM | Registration Open / Breakfast (Vevey Foyer / Vevey 3 & 4) |
| 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM <i>All Workshop Sessions are in Vevey 1 & 2</i> | Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) 101 – Mark W. Howard, Ounce of Prevention Consulting LLC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicability • Administrative requirements • General requirements • Specific requirements • Self-Certification |
| 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Networking Break (Vevey 3 & 4) |
| 10:30 AM – Noon | SPCC 101 – Continued 101 – Mark W. Howard, Ounce of Prevention Consulting LLC |
| Noon – 1:00 PM | Lunch (Vevey 3 & 4) <div style="text-align: center;">  Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. </div> |
| 1:00 PM – 2:15 PM | SPCC 101 – Deep Dive: What to Expect During an SPCC Inspection – Mark W. Howard |
| 2:15 PM – 2:45 PM | Open Q&A with SME 101 – Mark W. Howard, Ounce of Prevention Consulting LLC |
| 2:45 PM – 3:15 PM | Networking Break (Vevey 3 & 4) |
| 3:15 PM – 3:45 PM | Using Site Specific Data and Modeling Software to Determine SPCC Applicability – Mark Gerlach, Environmental Analyst, Xcel Energy Services Inc. |
| 3:45 PM – 4:15 PM | Effective Change Control and Inspection Procedures to Ensure Compliance – Anne Davis, Project Manager, PSEG |
| 4:15 PM – 5:00 PM | Optimizing SPCC Plans for Electric Utilities: A Multi-facility vs. Single Facility Comparison – Jared Omernik, Senior Project Manager, SCS Engineers and Tami Kennedy, Lead Environmental Specialist, Alliant Energy |
| 5:00 PM | Day 1 Concludes |
| 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM | SPCC Workshop Grand Reception – Open to all delegates & registered guests. Location: <i>Geneva</i> Sponsored by: <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> |

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

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| 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM | Breakfast (Vevey 3 &4) |
| 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM | SPCC 101 – Common SPCC Deficiencies and Discussion 101 – Mark W. Howard, Ounce of Prevention Consulting LLC |
| 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Networking Break (Vevey 3 &4) |
| 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM | Leveraging Environmental Equivalence for SPCC Compliance at Unmanned Remote Utility Sites – Jeremy Yeglin, Senior Principal, Geosyntec Consultants |
| 11:00 AM – 11:45 AM | Panel: SPCC Compliance – Strategies and Lessons Learned Moderators: Mark Gerlach & Cassie Johnston, USWAG Tanks Sub-Committee Regulatory perspective: Mark W. Howard, Ounce of Prevention Consulting, LLC Member perspective: Anne Davis; PSEG; Dan Lemons, CoServ Electric Affiliate perspective: Jeremy Yeglin, Geosyntec |
| 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM | Lunch (Vevey 3 &4) |
| 12:45 PM – 4:00 PM | Bonus Session: Facility Response Plan (FRP) Requirements for Oil and Hazardous Substances <i>(Optional – Designed for utilities with facilities subject to FRP requirements)</i> |
| 12:45 PM – 2:00 PM | SME Presentation on Facility Response Plan (FRP) Requirements – J. Troy Swackhammer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FRP Requirements for Oil Government-Initiated Unannounced Exercises Applicability FRP Requirements for CWA Hazardous Substances <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of new rule Implementation developments |
| 2:00 – 2:30 PM | FRP: Core Components and Preparing for an Unannounced Exercise – William Lazarz, Director - Business Development, SET Environmental |
| 2:30 PM – 2:45 PM | Networking Break (Vevey 3 &4) |
| 2:45 PM – 3:15 PM | The Good, The Bad, and the GIUE: Lessons from FRP Failures and OSRO Readiness – John West, Senior Environmental Engineer, Cox-Colvin & Associates, Inc. |
| 3:15 PM – 3:50 PM | Facility Response Plans for High-Demand Utility Infrastructure: Navigating Applicability, Risk, and Readiness – Tina Gurdikian, Senior Environmental Compliance Specialist and Lara Zawaideh, Cross-sector Section Manager, HDR Inc. |
| 3:50 PM – 4:00 PM | Wrap-up, final Q&A |
| 4:00 PM | Workshop Concludes |