



## NEWS RELEASE

### **Flexible Packaging Association to Hold Back-to-Back Human Resources & Safety Conferences.**

#### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Linthicum, Maryland: March 31, 2004** – The Flexible Packaging Association has scheduled two industry specific conferences to be held consecutively from May 3-5, 2004 at the Hyatt Regency Downtown Chicago Hotel.

The first series of **Safety Conference** presentations will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. on Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Safety Conference attendees** will reconvene at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> to hear from the second round of Safety Conference presenters.

The **FPA Human Resources Conference** will immediately follow the conclusion of the **Safety Conference**, and begin at noon on Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and adjourn for the day at 4:30 p.m. **Human Resources Conference** attendees will reconvene at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and adjourn at noon. A single registration fee of \$195 for FPA members and \$295 for non-members includes admittance fees for both conferences.

#### **FPA Human Resources Conference**

**FPA Human Resources Conference** attendees will hear from keynote speaker **Hunter Lott** of "Hire 2 Fire." Lott returns to the FPA by popular demand and will lead conference attendees in a dynamic and engaging discussion entitled "Top Ten HR Issues for 2004." **The Human Resources Conference** also features **Gil Abramson**, a labor and employment law attorney with Hogan & Hartson, L.L.P., who will provide an update on employment law and discuss safety and security issues within the workplace post 9-11; and **Chuck Miller**, a security consultant with NFPA, will share essential elements to consider when developing a security plan.

#### **FPA Safety Conference**

The **FPA Safety Conference** program has been designed to help FPA members recognize and control safety concerns associated with the flexible packaging industry. Scheduled speakers include **Paula White** of the U.S. OSHA, who will detail OSHA's Priorities for 2004 and their Voluntary Protection Program; **Phyllis King** of the University of Wisconsin will discuss the Ergonomic Guidelines for the Printing Industry; and **Mike DeRosier** of the Paper Converting Machine Company will discuss Nip Safety.

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The **FPA Safety Conference** also features **Chris Marshall** of Cornerstone Environmental Health & Safety, who will discuss the Root Cause Behind Accident Investigations; and **Lisa Kunz**, of ACT Enterprises will discuss Behavior Based Safety.

To obtain additional information or registration materials, please visit the Flexible Packaging Association's website at [www.flexpack.org](http://www.flexpack.org), or contact FPA at (410) 694-0800.

***About the Flexible Packaging Association***

The Flexible Packaging Association has served as the voice of the flexible packaging since 1950. FPA members are manufactures of flexible packaging sold to users or distributors for packaging purposes, and material or equipment suppliers to the industry. Flexible packaging is produced from paper, plastic, film, aluminum foil, or any combination of those materials, and includes bags, pouches, labels, liners, wraps, rollstock, and other flexible products.

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