



**Kansas Propane  
Education and  
Research  
Council  
2020  
Annual Report**

## KanPERC 2020 Annual Report

In order to provide information regarding the activities of KanPERC, the Council prepares an Annual Report for all industry members and interested persons. KanPERC became effective September 1, 2003 with a two-tenths (2/10) of one cent per gallon assessment on odorized propane destined for end consumer use in Kansas. The KanPERC assessment was increased to three-tenths (3/10) of one cent per gallon effective April 1, 2010. For fiscal year 2019-2020 KanPERC received \$395,098.59 in assessment income and spent \$356,236.82 on expenses, including safety programs, safety classes and safety training. NOTE: Carryover cash reserves from previous years are used to cover expense items which may exceed income for fiscal year.

The KanPERC Council holds quarterly meetings at the KanPERC office and Training Center in Topeka and has by-laws and procedure manuals available which provides information and guidance to assessment payers, industry personnel, and the public about the educational and safety offerings of the Council. Please contact KanPERC for additional information.

### Programs

#### **Coloring Books**

One of the original programs created by the Council was to provide safety information free of charge to all elementary schools in Kansas to better educate students about propane safety. A propane safety coloring book was designed, which is Kansas specific, and distributed to Kansas schools, Fire Departments and propane marketers to promote propane safety. These copyrighted propane safety coloring books are also distributed at public events, such as the Kansas State Fair, and are available for marketers to distribute to their customers. Approximately 85,000 coloring books were distributed in FY 2019-2020. KanPERC also provides the Kansas propane safety coloring book to other states as well. Numerous states have ordered this unique safety coloring book to promote propane safety within their state schools and at other events such as state fairs, farm shows or home shows.

#### **Duty to Warn Information—Propane Safety Brochures**

All propane companies in Kansas are informed annually that Fire Marshal approved propane safety brochures are available free of charge from KanPERC. These safety brochures, which include a “scratch and sniff” bulletin inside the brochure, are available from National PERC. These safety brochures provide consumer safety information pertaining to propane cylinder safety, propane tank safety and general propane safety including what propane smells like and how to safely use propane on the farm, in homes and at work. Over 245,000 “Duty to Warn” brochures were shipped to propane marketers, who then provided and distributed them to their customers across Kansas in 2020.

#### **Training and Safety Videos**

KanPERC is committed to promoting safety to all Kansas industry members and has numerous videos available for viewing upon request. Available videos can be found on [www.kanperc.org](http://www.kanperc.org), the Kansas safety website, and can be ordered by calling (785) 354-1749 or sending an e-mail to [gregnoll@pmak.org](mailto:gregnoll@pmak.org).

### **Warning Tags and Out of Service Tags**

Warning Tags and Out of Service Tags are made available to better assist marketers with customer safety. These warning tags are available at no cost to propane marketers. These tags are used to provide warnings to customers due to out of gas situations or unsafe conditions found at customer locations.

### **Propane Emergencies Training**

In an ongoing commitment to fire fighter safety training, KanPERC provides educational materials to fire departments. Propane Emergencies Training is provided upon request for use by all fire departments in Kansas. KanPERC will continue to offer this training at no charge to fire departments.

### **Certified Employee Training Program**

The **Certified Employee Training Program**, or CETP, is a formal structure for training, testing and documentation to assure that workers in the propane industry have the necessary knowledge and skills to perform their work safely and effectively. Properly trained and educated employees, customers and end-users mean a safer organization and a better bottom line for all involved. Employee training is mandated by Department of Transportation, National Fire Protection Association and Kansas State Fire Marshal. CETP provides propane professionals up-to-date, task-specific technical training that eliminates guesswork and empowers employees to perform their jobs confidently, knowledgably and safely. Propane business owners and managers can improve the safety of their employees and customers, increase productivity, adhere to federal and state regulations, and safely serve the communities in which they operate. CETP training is paid using KanPERC dollars and is offered free to all Kansas state industry members.

### **KanPERC Training Center**

The KanPERC Training Center is located at 540 NW Broad Street. This building has an indoor classroom, meeting rooms and office space and was purchased and re-constructed to better meet the needs for training industry members. KanPERC offices are located in this building as well. This location allows KanPERC to expand classroom curriculum, which has been offered in past years, to include hands-on propane training, some conducted outdoors, to better prepare new propane industry members on how to safely conduct specific propane jobs in the most practical and safest way. A bobtail simulator was constructed to better assist in training new drivers through hands-on training. An electronic white board and sound system was installed as well for use in the training center.

**Note:** Per KanPERC statute, there have been no advertising or promotional programs paid for with KanPERC dollars. If you have questions, comments or concerns, please email Greg Noll at [gregnoll@pmak.org](mailto:gregnoll@pmak.org). Additional information is available upon request.

<b>2020 CLASS CERTIFICATES</b>	
<b>CETP CLASSROOM</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
<b>BASIC P&amp;P</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>BASIC BOBTAIL DELIVERY</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>BASIC CYLINDER DELIVERY</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>BASIC PLANT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>DESIGNING &amp; INSTALLING</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>PLACING IN OPERATION</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>CLASSROOM TOTALS</b>	<b>107</b>
<b>CERTIFICATES</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
<b>DPS</b>	<b>302</b>
<b>STT</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>DOT REFRESHER</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>CETP REFRESHER</b>	<b>569</b>
<b>CERTIFICATES TOTALS</b>	<b>449</b>
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<b>CETP CLASSROOM STUDENTS</b>	<b>107</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>556</b>
<b>As of December 31, 2020</b>	

# KanPERC 2021 Registration Form

All classes will be held at the KanPERC Training Center at 540 NW Broad St., Topeka, KS 66608

**ALL CLASSES START AT 9:00 AM.** KanPERC Training is No Charge. Hotel and meal expenses are not included.

Register on-line at [www.kanperc.org](http://www.kanperc.org) then click on [KanPERC Registration Form ONLINE](#)

Please check the class to be attended and **forward to [edhattemer@pmak.org](mailto:edhattemer@pmak.org)** at least 7 days prior to start of class

**NOTE: ALL CLASSES START AT 9 AM**

**CETP 1.0 Basic Principles & Practices**

\_\_\_ May 3 & 4 – Includes Dispensing Propane Safely

**CETP 2.1-2.4 Basic Bobtail and Cylinder Delivery**

\_\_\_ May 5, 6, 7 – Includes System Testing Training

**CETP 3.0 Basic Plant Operations**

\_\_\_ May 17 & 18

**CETP 4.1 Designing and Installing Vapor Systems**

\_\_\_ June 14 & 15

**CETP 4.2 Placing Vapor Systems into Operation**

\_\_\_ June 28 & 29

**NOTE: ALL CLASSES START AT 9 AM**

**CETP 1.0 Basic Principles & Practices**

\_\_\_ July 12 & 13 – Includes Dispensing Propane Safely

**CETP 2.1-2.4 Basic Bobtail and Cylinder Delivery**

\_\_\_ July 14, 15, 16 – Includes System Testing Training

**CETP 1.0 Basic Principles & Practices**

\_\_\_ October 25 & 26 – Includes Dispensing Propane Safely

**CETP 2.1-2.4 Basic Bobtail and Cylinder Delivery**

\_\_\_ October 27, 28, 29 – Includes System Testing Training

Please Print legibly or type in the following registrant information:

Company \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Attendees:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Hotel Room Information:**

Sleeping rooms are available in Topeka at the [Ramada Downtown](#) at a discounted rate. Call 785-234-5400. Please request the "PROPANE" rates.

MAIL OR FAX REGISTRATION FORM TO: KanPERC Training Center

540 NW Broad St.

Topeka, KS 66608

FAX - 785-354-1740 or email [edhattemer@pmak.org](mailto:edhattemer@pmak.org)

Questions – 785-354-1749

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## **Kansas Propane Education & Research Council - 2020**

1. Retail Marketer – **Rob Northcutt**  
Work: Propane Central, 14300 E. 61<sup>st</sup> Street, Wichita, KS 67228
  
2. Retail Marketer – **Brian Waggoner**  
Work: Consumer Oil & Propane Inc., 209 Commercial St., Bendena, KS 66008
  
3. Wholesale/resale/supplier/importer-- **Jeff Conard**  
Work: Farmers Coop, 123 N. Main, Pretty Prairie, KS 67570
  
4. Retail Marketer – **Richard Mentzer**  
Work: SEK Coop, PO Box 308, 700 W. Rutledge, Yates Center, KS 66783
  
5. Wholesale/resale/supplier/importer--**Jeffry Thompson**  
Work: Propane Resources, PO Box 2308, 6950 Squibb Rd., Ste. 306, Mission, KS 66202
  
6. Retail Marketer – **Brett Fletcher**  
Work: B & P Propane, PO Box 189, 21786 Q Road, Holton, KS 66436
  
7. Equipment Manufacturer/Transporter –**Lewis Creek**  
Work: PO Box 95, 13487 162<sup>nd</sup> Road, Mayetta, KS 66509
  
8. Equipment Manufacturer/Transporter – **Julie Persinger**  
Work: Fronk Oil Co., Inc. PO Box 608, 1550 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Hugoton, KS 67951
  
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