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NACE Coating Inspector Program Celebrates Twenty-five Years of Excellence

Houston, TX (November 2, 2007) – NACE International, the corrosion society, has reached a milestone with its Coating Inspector Program (CIP). In 2008, the program celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary as the first and leading coating inspector certification program in the world.

NACE CIP is the training and certification program developed for the protective coatings industry. Corrosion professionals with CIP certifications ensure that assets and infrastructure in a variety of industries, such as oil and gas, marine, ship building, and bridges, are properly protected and maintained.

The CIP training curriculum consists of three course levels, ranging from basic to advanced coating inspection knowledge. The program teaches inspectors, applicators, blasters, manufacturers, specifiers, owner’s representatives, and technical salesmen the concepts of corrosion, coating application techniques, and proper methods for paint inspection and project management.

After 25 years, CIP is going strong with:

- 9,500 active CIP certified professionals in 95 countries
- CIP courses offered in 24 countries
- CIP courses taught in Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, and English
- Global industries relying heavily on CIP certified professionals – oil and gas, marine, ship building, bridge, and government agencies

“The development of CIP into a world renowned certification program is a reflection of the many CIP certified professionals whose work has impacted a wide variety of global industries,” said Tony Keane, Executive Director of NACE International. “As the market demand for CIP continues to grow, NACE continually updates the CIP courses to meet those demands and provide the best training available.”

For 25 years, CIP has set the standard for coating inspections and provides the most complete training curriculum, producing the best inspectors for the industry. For more information on the NACE Coating Inspector Program, visit www.nace.org/cip.

NACE International is a professional technical association dedicated to promoting public safety, protecting the environment, and reducing the economic impact of corrosion. Established in 1943, NACE International has more than 18,500 members worldwide and offers technical training and certification programs, sponsors conferences, and produces industry standards, reports, publications, and software. More information about NACE International can be found at www.nace.org.

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