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AFTERDISASTER® FIRST ACCREDITED TRAINING PROVIDER FOR LEAD RRP COURSE

(Raleigh, NC) - **AFTERDISASTER®** became the first water and fire restoration company to be an accredited training provider of the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Management Program for Renovation, Repair, and Painting (RRP) in NC.

Although most states rely solely upon the EPA's enforcement of the RRP Rules, some states, such as NC, have been authorized by the EPA to administer and enforce these rules within their state, and to accredit qualified firms accordingly.

The RPP Rule requires nearly every sector of the construction, renovation, and remodeling industry to obtain specified training and certification. Those impacted will include general contractors, remodeling contractors, drywall/trim/painting contractors, plumbers, mechanical contractors, electricians, and any company which performs any demolition.

AFTERDISASTER® provides emergency and restoration services, as well as general contracting, for water, fire, smoke, and mold damage victims in NC, SC, and VA from its offices in Greensboro, Charlotte and Raleigh. Catastrophic emergency services are also provided to commercial, institutional, and industrial customers throughout the US and the Caribbean from the Large Loss Division based in Fort Mill, SC.

AFTERDISASTER's Safety Director and Trainer, Jerry Jones, began the extensive research to obtain the qualifications, certifications, and accreditation required to become a provider of these courses. The goal is not only to teach and certify its own employees who might encounter the need for lead renovation in the field, but also to provide this as a benefit to its strategic partners in the marketplace.

In January 2011, after months of preparation, the final on-site audit was performed and **AFTERDISASTER** became the first water and fire restoration company to receive accreditation in NC. Mr. Jones stated, *"We remain committed to the objective of providing the safest workplace for our employees, our customers, and strategic partners. We are proud to have achieved this challenging goal, and look forward to continuing to work with the State of NC. Currently, we are awaiting EPA's scheduling of their visit to our training facility for their final accreditation audit and review of our RRP training course for use in EPA administered and regulated states."*

AFTERDISASTER President and Chief Executive Officer, Lee King, added, *"Our provision of training that promotes a safe work environment for team members and strategic partners is a primary focus of ours. Our investment in this accreditation process will yield tremendous results – in health and safety of those team members and partners."*

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