



Profile of Month – Sam Taylor

Sam Taylor (Safety Sam) is a renowned safety director for large hazmat projects and spills nationwide. From writing site specific safety plans to conducting daily on-site safety briefings, he has become integral to large hazmat cleanups.

There is no one more up-beat, and this cheery approach to every problem instills confidence in the field crew. He is respected for his knowledge and admired for his attitude.

Sam has a command of the many components involved in a haz-mat spill; the chemicals, the equipment, the regulations, and the cleanup procedures. The thread that keeps it all together is safety, and Sam is the best safety officer and instructor. MEI considers Sam a key part to our safe future.

Marion Environmental Inc. is one of the leading providers of environmental consulting, remediation, and emergency response in the southeast. Our goal is to provide cost effective solutions to environmental problems.  
Making *our* standard, industry standard.

## TVA Contract

Marion has signed a new three year contract with TVA. This “Emergency Response for Oil Spill Recovery” contract is new for Marion and reflects the expansion of our company’s footprint.

A prerequisite for this award also included Marion’s OSRO certification. Many of TVA’s facilities are adjacent to waterways, and boom deployment may be required. Marion has been OSRO certified for seven years. In addition to OSRO, response times for all TVA locations were a consideration when evaluating contractors.

As a Tennessee company we are particularly proud of this new opportunity to increase our involvement with the TVA community.

## Happenings

- February 24, 2016 - CSX Day of Training  
Atlanta, GA
- March 14-16, 2016 - TN Environmental Conference  
Kingsport, TN
- April 6-8, 2016 – SCAA Annual Meeting  
Washington, DC
- April 20-22, 2016 – Environmental Show of South  
Gatlinburg, TN
- April 28-29, 2016 – Vapor Intrusion Symposium  
Atlanta, GA



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## CSX Awards

**Marion Environmental, Inc. and its E.R. Managers were honored by CSX with Three Awards in Savannah, GA on February 2, 2016.**

Marion Environmental was invited to participate in the CSX annual Public Safety & Environment Conference held in Savannah, Georgia. On the first night of the conference, an Appreciation and Awards Banquet was held. Marion was awarded the ***Emergency Response Preferred Provider 2015 Contractor Award***.

Marion was one of only two companies that received the coveted award and stood alone as the only company based in the south. We applaud our railroad team for their outstanding work on the various railroad projects that led to this award.

Marion's success in our railroad division is directly attributed to the leadership of Scott Wilson, our Railroad E.R. Manager. His enthusiasm and depth of knowledge have inspired and guided our team.

Scott also received an individual award for his leadership on railroad projects. The ***CSX Hazmat Field Services Award*** was awarded to Scott and our safety director Sam Taylor (see profile).

We are honored by these awards. Marion's goal is to be the first call any railroad makes in an emergency. We are pleased by CSX's recognition and look forward to advising and contributing on their future projects.



## Safety Tip

### Stamp Out Smoking Fires

Careless smoking is the leading cause of fire deaths in the U.S. Do you know what causes these fire deaths - carelessly discarded smoking materials.

From hot ashes dumped into garbage cans to a cigarette falling on to a couch cushion, carelessly discarded smoking materials kills hundreds of people every year. These types of fires are too common. With a little attention you can prevent these fires and save lives. Remind friends and family members to be safe and follow these safety tips.

- Never smoke in bed, especially when sleepy.
- Always use large, oversized ashtrays.
- Make certain ashes are cold before dumping ashtrays into the garbage.
- Check for cigarettes or ashes that may have fallen between couch or chair cushions.

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