



RMC XPress

Rocky Mountain Chapter

The leading knowledge exchange for those who design, build, use and maintain mission-critical enterprise information infrastructures, 7x24 Exchange's goal is to improve end-to-end reliability by promoting dialogue among these groups.

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2007 Winter Educational Forum

“Planned Outages”

Winter Seminar

The February 20, 2007 Winter Seminar topic was Planned Outages. The topic was discussed in depth by an experienced panel of speakers.

Bob Butt of The RMH Group began the program with an overview of the role of the consulting engineer in identifying the need for and planning outages.



Terrell Backensto of Qwest Communications followed with a discussion of planned outages from a Property Manager's perspective. Terrell has served both as a Building Specialist and Property Manager at a large metro area data center and brings a wealth of experience.

After the break, Randy Jackson of Howell Construction discussed the MOP Process, reviewing both the underlying philosophy of the process and explaining the component parts of a sample MOP. A copy of a sample MOP will be posted on the 7x24 Exchange RMC website shortly.



Jim Scherrer of Dynalectric finished the program with an overview of the execution of a planned outage from the contractor's point of view. Jim provided valuable insights into the wide range of subcontractors, equipment vendors and material purchases that must be coordinated to achieve a successful planned outage.



Lunch was provided and door prize winners were drawn from the attendees present.

Special thanks to Critical Components who provided the door prizes for this program. We are always looking for vendors to provide door prizes at our educational programs. If you have a desire to participate in this endeavor, please contact any board member of 7x24 Exchange, Rocky Mountain Chapter.



Spring Seminar

The last session of 7X24 covered planned outages - or better stated: **the clean, thought out, well-managed, tools available, phones charged, maintenance outage.** History has proven that - stuff breaks - and it breaks when the area is dirty. We are not prepared. Tools have recently broken, engineers are on vacation, and the last battery has lost its charge! As 7X24 professionals, we need to be prepared to adequately manage emergencies of all types - including planned and un-planned, each with a different degree of impact to the business. This next session will address these unplanned outages and how owners, contractors, and engineers can formulate cost-effective contingencies. Please plan on attending and offering your war story!

Free End-User Membership Extended through 2007!

Due to the overwhelming response to our offer of *free end-user membership* in 2006, we have decided to extend the offer through 2007. We are very excited about the number of end users who have responded to the offer. Please pass this information along to your peers who might be interested.

Membership Renewals

Our web-based renewal process is working very well. Look for us at www.7x24exchangerm.org. It is very easy to fill in the required information and send it in. Please note that we can no longer accept credit cards and can no longer give a discount for National members. Please use the web-based application for future renewals.

New Member Spotlight

Everyone here with the 7x24 Exchange RMC would like to take a moment to welcome the following companies to our organization:



BURKETTDESIGN offers complete architectural and interior design services with experience in the corporate, high-tech, high-reliability, hospitality, and healthcare sectors.



NOAA has partnered with more than 60 countries and the European Commission to develop a global Earth Observation System that, over the next decade, will revolutionize the understanding of Earth and how it works. With benefits as broad as the planet itself, the U.S.-led initiative promises to make people and economies around the globe healthier, safer, and better equipped to manage basic daily needs.



Boulder Community Hospital provides extensive healthcare services throughout Boulder County, Colorado. Since 1922 they have proudly served their community as a non-profit community-owned and governed hospital.



Active Power, Inc. has carefully developed its business to become the leader of battery-free uninterrupted power solutions to meet the global demand for critical back-up power. With 39 issued patents, Active Power delivers power quality products by integrating unique mechanical and electrical innovations into compact, reliable and cost effective systems.



For 100 years, Square D has been a market-leading brand of electrical distribution and industrial control products, systems and services.

Our programs are made possible through your membership dues. Welcome aboard and thank you for your support!

7x24 Website

To obtain information on current events, future programs, joining the RMC (obtaining a user-friendly membership application), or contacting us with any questions you may have, please visit our website:

www.7x24exchangerm.org.

EXTRA! EXTRA!! UPCOMING SEMINARS

Keep an eye (or two) open for the upcoming Fall Program—soon to be announced.

