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## MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Policy Regarding Single-Instructor Refresher Courses FROM:

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TO:

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Regions I - X

This memorandum supplements earlier accreditation policy guidance distributed to training providers on April 18, 1990, and is intended to clarify the scope and applicability of our policy contained therein regarding the number of instructors required for AHERA training courses. Policy Number One in the April 18 guidance read as follows;

"EPA may approve the use of a single instructor for the worker course only. Where this is proposed, the intended worker course instructor must be both field experienced and qualified. There are no circumstances under which EPA will approve the use of a single instructor for the AHERA contractor, inspector/management planner or project designer

The intent of this policy was to address the basic or full AHERA training courses only. Through this memorandum, we are clarifying that Refresher training courses are not covered by this policy statement. In the case of Refresher training, it is EPA's policy to approve the use of a single instructor for a refresher course in any of the five training disciplines. We believe that this is warranted based upon the more focused orientation of refresher training and also for both economic feasibility and practicality reasons.

If there are questions regarding this policy or implementation, please contact Phil King at FTS 382-7849.