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## PERMIAN BASIN

### PIPE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

#### SEMINAR ANNOUNCED

March 27 – 28, Midland, Texas  
Class Size Limited

IRVING, Texas – March 8, 2019 – The Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI) announced today that it will hold a two-day seminar about the use of high-density polyethylene and composite pipe for oil and gas gathering water lines. Being held in cooperation with the Permian Basin Water Management Council, the seminar will be held at Midland College. PPI is the major North American trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry.

“We cannot stress enough the importance of knowing how to design and properly install pipelines that carry oil & gas and transport water to and from a fracking site,” stated Randy Knapp, Ph.D., engineering director of the Energy Piping Systems Division of PPI. “This is mainly because pressures in a high-density polyethylene Permian Basin pipeline can reach 300 psi and temperatures up to 180°F, or even higher pressures when using polyamides or spoolable composites. Among other topics, this seminar will also provide hands-on fusion training, which is critical to the performance of a pipeline.”

Day One, on March 27<sup>th</sup>, will focus on the design, installation, testing and repair of plastic pipe systems. It is limited to 80 participants. Day Two, on March 28<sup>th</sup>, will focus on

fusion training and is limited to 40 participants. Day 2 participants will receive a Fusion Certificate of Training from PPI.

“Attending one or both sessions will provide information needed to take full advantage of the benefits of plastic pipe and composite pipe in oil and gas gathering and other applications. The course topics have been designed to benefit all levels of experience,” Knapp stated. “Plus, we have many industry experts from PPI member companies attending including WL Plastics, Performance Pipe, Pipeline Plastics, Shawcor Composite Production Systems, ISCO Industries, Inc., Victaulic, LyondellBasell, Dow Chemical, and McElroy Manufacturing.”

For additional information and to register, go to:

<https://www.regonline.com/PPITraining-OilAndGasGatheringSystemsTX> or  
[www.plasticpipe.org](http://www.plasticpipe.org).

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The PPI Permian Basin Pipeline Seminar will be held March 27-28, 2019 in Midland, Texas.  
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**About PPI:**

*The Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI) is the major North American trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry and is dedicated to promoting plastic as the materials of choice for pipe and conduit applications. PPI is the premier technical, engineering and industry knowledge resource publishing data for use in the development and design of plastic pipe and conduit systems. Additionally, PPI collaborates with industry organizations that set standards for manufacturing practices and installation methods.*