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THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

OUR MISSION:

To provide outstanding service to the RESEARCH, ACADEMIC, OPERATIONAL and HEALTHCARE areas of the University in defining and achieving their goals for environmental compliance and resource conservation.



Environmental Quality Management Center

Meet the Environmental Management Department



Mike Blackard,
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In addition to his various other responsibilities, Mike is the University's primary resource for DOT/IATA dangerous goods shipping training. Mike is a Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM) and has been with EMD for the past 17 years in addition to over seven years working as an environmental consultant.



Brian Butler,
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Since working for the UK College of Pharmacy as its Chemical Safety Officer for 10 years, Brian has been with EMD for the past seven years. His primary task these days is coordinating the roll-out and on-going implementation of the brand new waste management tracking system referred to as **E-TRAX**.



Lee Faulkner,
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With B.S. degree from UK a M.S. degree from ECU, Lee is also a CHMM and has worked for the EMD for the past 11 years. His senior-level environmental management role for the University focuses not only on waste management and spill response but also on water and soil sample collection.



Robert Kjelland,
Director
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Bob has served as the EMD director since 2007. Before coming to UK, he was a consultant for 18 years and prior to that was a regulator with the KY Dept. for Environmental Protection for seven years. He is a CHMM, professional geologist and has a B.S. from ECU and a masters degree from Asbury Theological Seminary.



Peggy Quisenberry,
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Providing invaluable support for all of EMD's operations and financial tracking for the past nine years, Peggy is also the first point of contact on the telephone, for visitors to the EMD's office at the Environmental Quality Management Center and for those signing up for DOT/IATA training.



Ron Taylor,
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The newest member of the EMD team, Ron began in 2008 after a 32-year career as a safety and environmental professional in the manufacturing sector. A graduate of Emory University in Atlanta, one of Ron's many roles is to ensure the implementation of UK's new Environmental Compliance Audit program (see *Did You Know?* at right).

The Environmental Management Department is one of the five departments assigned to the Environmental Health & Safety Division.



Tommy Taylor,
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For the past 12 years Tommy has been responsible for oversight of all asbestos projects at UK. Previously he worked for seven years as a consultant. His oversight includes the preparation of all necessary regulatory reports. He holds a B.S. degree from ECU and is an accredited asbestos inspector/management planner.

Director's Highlight's

The University's Environmental Management Department is comprised of a dedicated staff with 133 years of combined environmental management experience.

As noted in our Mission statement the services we provide cross all institutional boundaries and are diverse, ranging from managing hazardous waste to coordinating asbestos abatement projects to assisting University customers in the negotiation of complex environmental requirements and permits with government regulators.

We will get back to more technical matters next month but until then I hope you enjoy finding out a bit more about us.

Robert D. Kjelland, Director
Environmental Management Dept.

Did You Know?



The Environmental Management Department manages an **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT** program that was recently established as a **CHARTERED** process to serve the entire University. The intent of the program is to regularly assess University operations for compliance with environmental regulations. The assessments are also designed to recognize exemplary practices as well as identify opportunities for improvement.

Contact Ron Taylor for more information.

Coming in Future Issues

ALERT !!

Stay tuned next month to learn the details surrounding a recent serious on-campus incident involving the mismanagement of hazardous waste.