



THE NATIONAL BOARD ENTERS STRATEGIC PACT WITH ORIENT PACIFIC FOR CHINA TRAINING

SHANGHAI, China - The National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors has entered into a strategic partnering agreement with Orient Pacific, Ltd. to provide training and professional development services for individuals and companies in China using National Board training and workshop programs.

"This venture is the beginning of what is hoped to be a new and mutually beneficial partnership with China," commented National Board Executive Director David Douin. *"The National Board is honored to share its expertise for the purpose of encouraging a positive and lasting impact on China's pressure equipment safety program."*

Under the terms of the agreement, Orient Pacific is undertaking the task of translating all instructor and student materials into Chinese language and developing local instructors in China using their highly regarded performance based training technology. Training seminars and workshops will be offered both publicly and privately throughout China.

"The dynamics of this partnership are noteworthy in the sense that The National Board, under the leadership of Executive Director Douin, recognizes the underlying issues with training and development in China," commented Orient Pacific's Managing Director Todd Fleckenstein. *"You must come to market here with knowledge-based products that benefit industry. That defined means professional, high-quality, up-to-date offerings designed with local culture and language in mind, - taught by skilled local professionals on an economic scale that fits with local company budgets."*

The first scheduled event, a Welding Procedure Workshop, is planned for January 2010 in Shanghai.

The schedules and other specific details of this and other programs - focused on pressure equipment, safety and various special processes - will be available on both organizations' websites in the near future. Up-to-date schedules, locations, and application information is available by contacting Orient Pacific direct at training@orienpacific.com.



The National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors (www.nationalboard.org) was created in 1919 to promote greater safety to life and property through uniformity in the construction, installation, repair, maintenance, and inspection of pressure equipment. The National Board membership oversees adherence to laws, rules, and regulations relating to boilers and pressure vessels. The National Board Members are chief boiler inspectors representing government agencies from across North America.

Orient Pacific, (Shanghai) Ltd. is an American owned and managed technical services company based in Shanghai, China. They provide various services - to a broad range of industries - including technical consulting, training, supplier management and control, inspection and testing, auditing and special process management. They specialize in solving supply-chain problems by developing long-term relationships with clients and their suppliers. *For more information about Orient Pacific Ltd., go to www.orienpacific.com*