Protective Coatings Specialist (PCS)

Application for Certification
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Instructions for Completing the PCS Application

Section A – Personal
1. Spell your name as it should appear on the certificate, wallet card and program notices or documents.
2. List your complete business address
3. If you would like to receive program correspondence at another address, please list it.

Section B – Demographic Information
1. Indicate your employer's main business activity (or yours, if self-employed)
2. Indicate your main work function
3. Indicate where you first learned about the PCS Program

Section C – Membership Status
Indicate whether you are an SSPC member, your membership number, and expiration date.

Section D – Education History
Fill in all that apply

Section E – Coatings Related Training
List courses, training programs, seminars, and symposia that you have completed and wish to be considered for the PCS training requirement. Attach copies of certificates or other proof of successful completion.

Section F – Work Experience
1. Work experience is deemed acceptable only if it relates directly to the use of protective coatings for corrosion control. Such experience may include industrial coatings manufacture, sales (technical support), preparation of specifications, coatings application, coatings inspection and field QC, coatings-related safety, coatings-related environmental compliance, and project management.
2. Applicants must demonstrate competence in the following areas:
   - evaluation of coating system performance,
   - selection of coating systems,
   - preparation of coating specifications,
   - coating failure analysis,
   - evaluation of shop and field application procedures, and
   - development of painting contracts.
3. Complete this section in reverse chronological order, starting with the current position. Use additional copies of the Work Experience page for full documentation of work history. Only substantial employment is acceptable. (Substantial employment is full-time employment consisting of at least 75% of the year in a position that is 100% coatings work.)
4. Although a resume may be attached, it may not be substituted for this section of the application.
5. Describe your work experience thoroughly, including responsibilities.

Section G – Professional References
1. Provide a copy of the Professional Reference form to each individual you have listed as a reference.
2. Submit references with the application (include a supervisor, a client, and a professional peer).
3. For applicants employed by a facility owner (state highway department, power company, paper mill, etc.), a 'client' can be another department for whom coatings-related technical services were provided.
4. For a self-employed individual, a professional peer or client may be substituted for the supervisor.

Section H – Application Fee
Please indicate method of payment. SSPC will accept a check, money order, MasterCard, Visa, and American Express. Application fees must accompany the application and are non-refundable.

Section I – Exam Date and Location
Please indicate your choice of exam date and location.

Section J – Attestation
Please sign and date the form. Altered or unsigned applications will not be processed.
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### Section A – Personal

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## Section B – Demographic Information

### Type of Business (Please check the ONE that applies best):

- __Facility Owner (end user of coatings)__
- __Architect, Engineer, Consultant__
- __Painting Contractor__
- __Flooring Contractor__
- __General Contractor__
- __Specialty Contractor__
- __Concrete Contractor__
- __Other Contractor (specify): ________
- __Shipyard__
- __Fabricator__
- __Abrasives Manufacturer__
- __Equipment Manufacturer__
- __Coatings and Linings Manufacturer__
- __Coatings Raw Materials Manufacturer__
- __Other Mfg. (specify): _______________
- __Dealer / Distributor / Store__
- __Government / Reg. Agency / Research__
- __Other (specify): ________________

In which industries or structures are you involved in coatings work? (Select all that apply)

- __Chemical Processing__
- __Petroleum Refining / Processing / Distribution__
- __Metals and Mining__
- __Pulp and Paper__
- __Oil / Gas Production__
- __Power, Conventional__
- __Bridge and Highway__
- __Waterfront / Locks / Dams__
- __Waterworks / Storage__
- __Power, Nuclear__
- __Waste Treatment__
- __Food / Beverage / Pharmaceutical__
- __Pipeline__
- __Gas Utility__
- __Shipping / Ship Management__
- __Railcar Manufacturing and/or Repair__
- __Equipment / Vehicle Mfg. and Maint.__
- __Military__
- __Stadiums and Theme parks__
- __General Commercial__
- __Other ________________________

How did you learn of the PCS program?

___SSPC Web Site
___SSPC Mailing
___JPCL Article
___JPCL Ad
___Ad in other publication
___Word of Mouth

Section C – Membership Status

SSPC Member:  Yes  No

SSPC Member #  Expiration Date

___Please send membership information

Section D – Education History

Section E – Coatings-Related Training

Course Name:  
Provider Name:  
Date Completed:  Course Hours:  
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If necessary, attach sheet(s) for additional education or training information
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___ I have enclosed a check in payment of the non-refundable application fee.

___ Please charge the non-refundable application fee to my credit card. My signature in the space marked "Authorized Signature" indicates that I acknowledge the fee applies regardless of whether my application is accepted.

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Section I – Exam Date and Location

___ Please add my name to the exam scheduled at the following location:

_________________________ in

Date _____________________ City & State ______________________________

___ I have not decided on an exam date or location yet.

___ Please send a schedule of upcoming exam dates and locations.

Section J – Attestation

I certify that the statements above, including attachments, are accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I authorize SSPC to verify any and all items of information submitted. I understand that any falsification of information in this application, including attachments, may be cause for rejection or withdrawal of certification.

Although reasonable efforts will be made by SSPC to keep this renewal confidential, I understand that SSPC is under no obligation to keep confidential any information that I submit.

I agree to hold SSPC harmless from any liability in the event this renewal is rejected based on information submitted by me or by third parties that would, in SSPC’s judgement, make me ineligible for certification.

__________________________________________  ________________________
Applicant's Signature  Date

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