Acronyms

Answers for these acronyms

AFFF Aqueous film-forming foam

ARFF Aircraft rescue and firefighting
ATF Alcohol, tobacco and firearms

BLEVE boiling liquid expanding vapor explosion

CHEMTREC Chemical Transportation Emergency Center

CISD critical incident stress debriefing

DOT Department of Transportation (US)

EAP Employee Assistance Program

EDITH Exit Drills In The Home

EHS extremely hazardous substance

EMS emergency medical services

EPA Environmental Protection Agency

ERG Emergency Response Guidebook

ERP emergency response planning

FAST firefighter assist and search team

FBI Federal Bureau of Investigation

FCC Federal Communications Commission

HAZMAT hazardous materials

HAZWOPER hazardous waste operations and emergency response

HVAC heating, ventilation and air conditioning

IAP incident action plan
IC incident commander

IDLH immediately dangerous to life and health

LEL lower explosive limit (flammable)

LEPC Local Emergency Planning Committee

LUST leaking underground storage tank

MCI mass casualty incident

MSDS Material Safety Data Sheet

NFPA National Fire Protection Association

NIOSH National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

NST national standard thread

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

PASS personal alert safety system

PEL permissible exposure limit

PFD personal floatation device

PIO public information officer

PPE personal protective equipment

ppm parts per million

REL recommended exposure limit

RIT rapid intervention team

SADT self-accelerating decomposition temperature

SARA Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

SCBA self-contained breathing apparatus

SOG standard operating guideline

SOP standard operation procedure

STEL short-term exposure limit

TLV threshold limit value

TPP thermal protective performance

TRACEM thermal, radiation, asphyxiation, chemical, etiological and

mechanical hazards

UEL upper explosive limit (flammable)
USAR Urban Search and Rescue (team)

WMD weapons of mass destruction