Spill readiness program prepared by PLCAA

The Professional Lawn Care Association of America is making available a new spill readiness audio training program.

The five-part audio cassette covers areas of interest to owners (spill prevention and the four key components of spill readiness); managers (spill reporting and dealing with the news media); lawn technicians (three emergency priorities and answering questions at the spill scene); office staff (information checklist, finding the boss and handling the media); and assistant manager (spill equipment checklists, containment and cleanup, and answering questions at the spill scene).

The tape is supplemented by a spill readiness guide that includes spill reporting requirements, sample calculations, labeling and inventory recommendations, and a mock spill drill for employees.

To order the program call Victoria at 1-800-458-3466. The cost is $60 plus shipping and handling for members, $90 for non-members. Circle No 241

Deere puts together safety tips

John Deere has compiled the best 11 of its safety films on one 84-minute 1/2-inch VHS videocassette.

Two programs provide mowing safety information. One segment shows near-miss victim situations and testimonials "to foster a positive safety attitude" for operators. A second segment shows a father teaching his son safe mowing.

Other programs discuss safety considerations for larger tractors and heavy equipment. One animated segment gives motion to safety signs in order to explain their messages in an entertaining format.

The programs run from 90 seconds to 23 minutes long. To order a VHS cassette for $15, write to: Deere & Co., Distribution Service Center, Safety Films Dept., 1400 Thirteenth St., E. Moline, Ill. 61244. Circle No 353

Lawn Overseeding booklet ready

A new brochure on turf overseeding entitled “Lawn Overseeding” is now available from the Cushman Division of Ransomes.

The pamphlet can be used to promote overseeding and provides information on the why’s and wherefore’s of overseeding, such as when to overseed, choices for grass types, how to prepare a lawn and recommended equipment.

The 16-page pamphlet includes a glossary of grass and lawn maintenance definitions and can be used by homeowners, lawn maintenance firms and retail stores.

Copies are available in quantity for 10 cents per copy. For information write Lawn Overseeding brochure, Cushman, P.O. Box 82409, Lincoln, Neb., 68501, or call 1-800-228-4444. Circle No 355

Cushman updates Ryan catalog

A new catalog of Ryan aerators and other turf care equipment for the lawn care industry is now available from the Cushman Division of Ransomes.

Included in the brochure are the Lawnaire 28 reciprocating aerator, the Mataway Overseeder, the Ryan Spotseeder, sod cutters, turf rollers and tractor-mounted and towed aerators.

For a free copy of the catalog write the Cushman Sales Department, P.O. Box 82409, Lincoln, Neb., 68501, or call 1-800-228-4444. Circle No 251