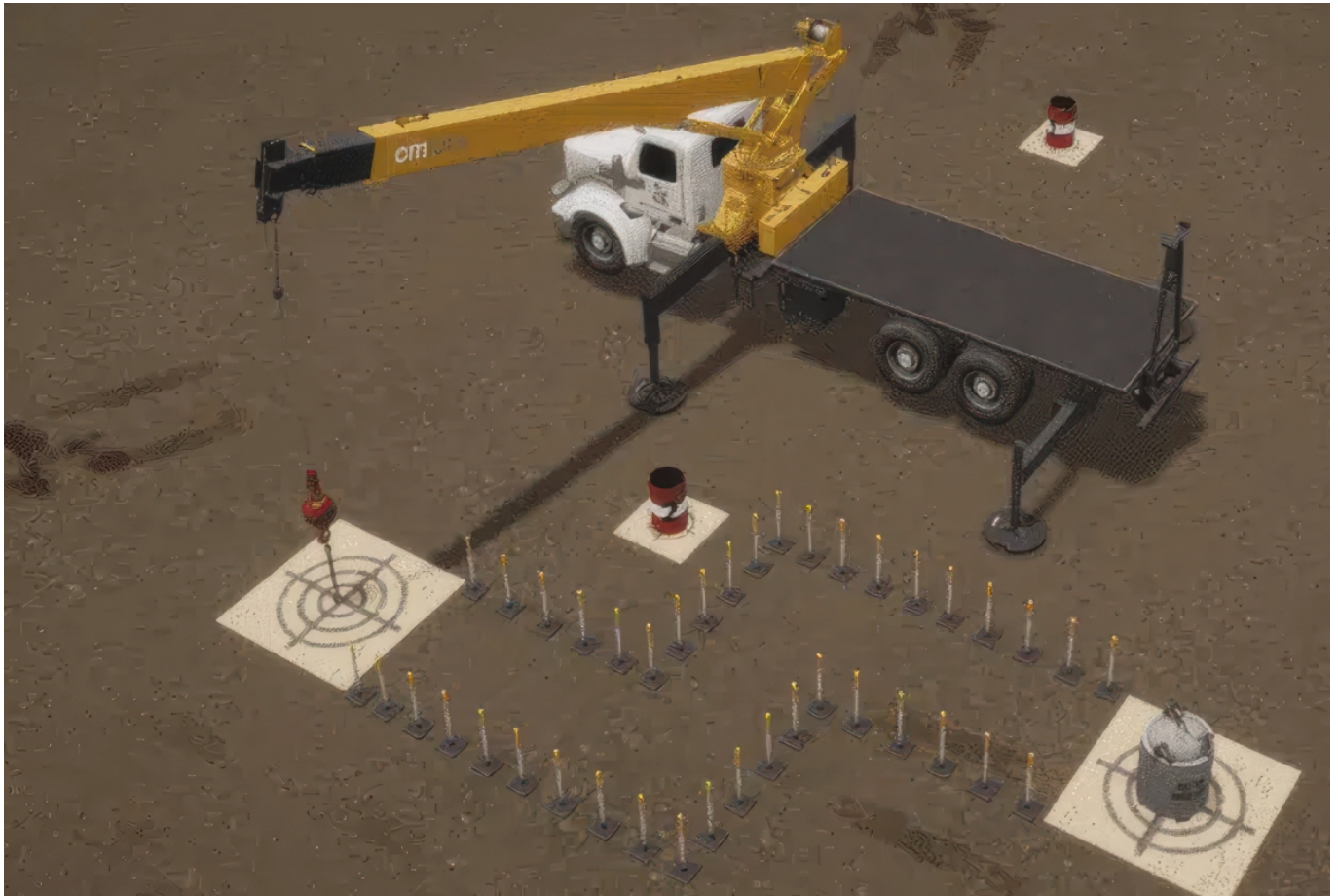




Boom Truck Simulator Training Pack Exercise

IMAGE SOURCE: CM Labs Simulations Inc.

CM Labs Helps Make CUSP Recertification More Convenient Than Ever

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- CM Labs Simulations now allows operators to use simulation training and select webinars to maintain Certified Utility Safety Professional (CUSP) Certification.
- The Utility Safety & Ops Leadership Network (USOLN) will accept simulation training hours on CM Labs simulators and webinar attendance for CUSP recertification.
- Operators must accumulate 30 CUSP points over two years, with simulation training hours and webinar attendance contributing to these points.

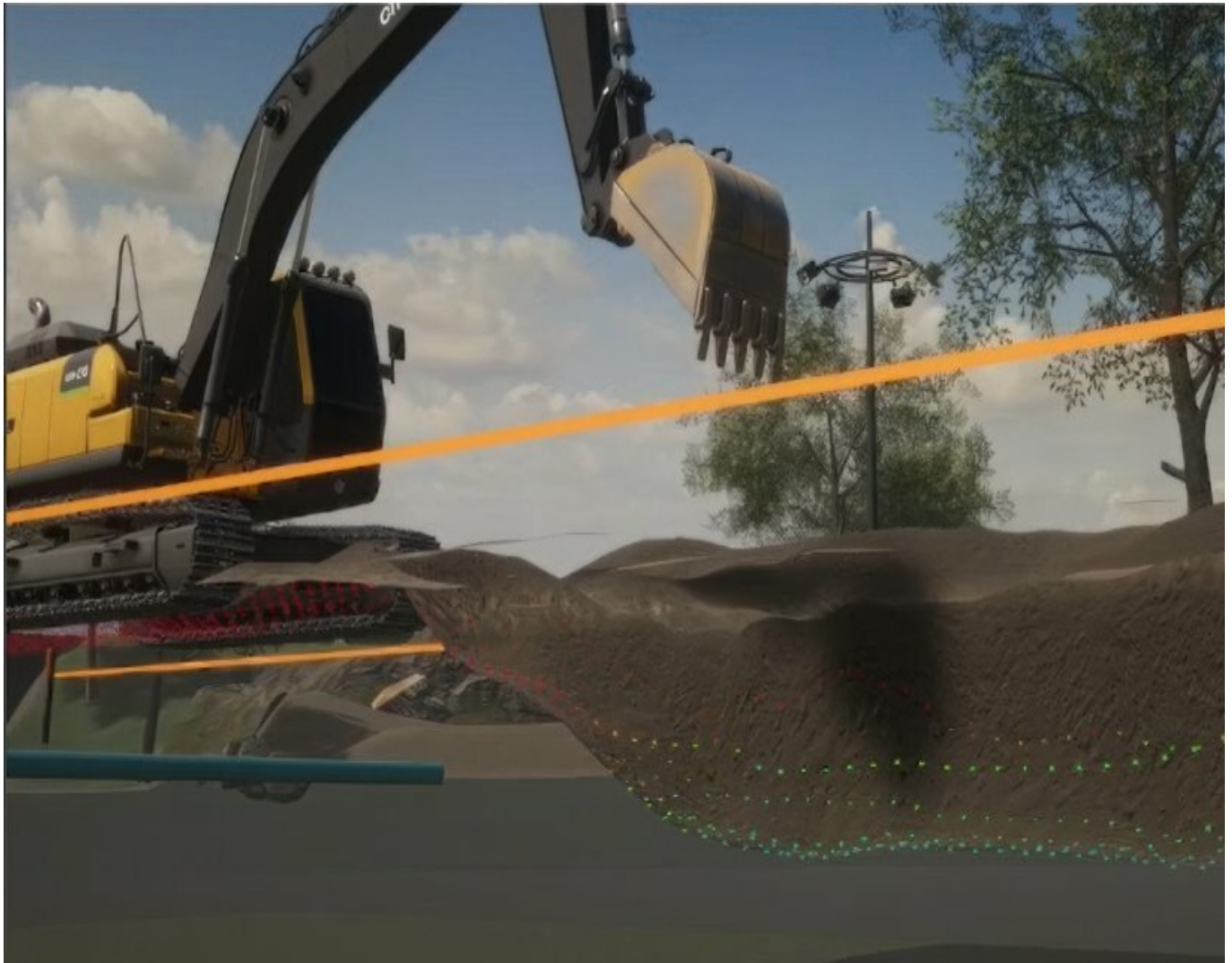
- **CM Labs' simulation training offers authentic machine behavior, utility market training content, and detailed safety-oriented metrics for effective training.**
- **Performance indicators on CM Labs simulators track productivity, quality, and safety, providing trainers with comprehensive data on operator performance.**
- **CM Labs will showcase their simulation training tools at Booth #1931 during the Utility Safety Conference & Expo in Charleston, SC, from April 29-30.**

CM Labs Simulations, the leading vendor for simulation-based training solutions in the utilities, construction, and ports industries, today announced that operators can now use its simulation training and select webinars to maintain Certified Utility Safety Professional (CUSP) Certification. The Utility Safety & Ops Leadership Network (USOLN), the non-profit organization that develops and administers the CUSP certification program, will now accept simulation training hours on CM Labs simulators and time spent attending select webinars for recertification.

To maintain certification, CUSP credential holders must engage in ongoing professional development activities. These activities are quantified as CUSP points, with operators needing to accumulate 30 CUSP points over two years to retain their certification. Now, training completed on a CM Labs simulator can be counted, at a 1:1 ratio of simulation training hours to CUSP points, towards recertification. Attending select CM Labs webinars can also earn operators one CUSP point, as each contact hour of education is worth one point for CUSP recertification.

"This move is a great step forward in helping operators maintain their certification," said Devon Van de Kletersteeg, the Ports, Utilities, and Industrial Product Growth Manager at CM Labs. "Simulation training is something that an operator can complete no matter the weather. It's always available, making it easier for operators to fit their training and certification maintenance into their schedules."

"USOLN strives to provide pathways for maintaining one's CUSP credential in ways that align with the unique knowledge utility safety professionals must have," said Curtis Marquardt, Executive Director of the USOLN. "Whether it's simulation training, virtual training or other emerging technologies, CUSP credential holders will be able to earn maintenance points through safety- and leadership-focused learning experiences."



Subterranean Drone View

IMAGE SOURCE: CM Labs Simulations Inc.

CM Labs' simulation training is unique in the industry for offering authentic machine behavior, utility market training content, utility training objectives and equipment, and common utility hazards such as power lines and water pipes. CM Labs simulation training tools are also capable of producing detailed reports on operator performance.

"CM Labs simulation training tools provide detailed safety-oriented metrics. Any safety violation an operator commits in an exercise is logged, allowing for effective, safe, and data-driven training," noted Van de Kletersteeg.

Newly added performance indicators make tracking safety training and progress on a CM Labs simulator simple and straightforward. Performance indicators measure and track three key areas of operation: productivity, quality, and safety, with each category receiving a letter grade, along with a list of the individual

metrics used to calculate that grade. This allows trainers, at a glance, to see how an operator is performing and track progress over time.



Performance Indicators - demo man + tablet

IMAGE SOURCE: CM Labs Simulations Inc.

To count their simulation training hours towards recertification, all operators need to do is submit their simulation training reports to USOLN for CUSP hour attribution.

Learn more about using CM Labs simulation training for CUSP certification maintenance and try CM Labs' extensive utilities equipment portfolio by visiting Booth #1931 at the Utility Safety Conference & Expo in Charleston, SC, from April 29-30.

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