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**University of Florida TREEO Center Employees Elected Officers of
Environmental Information Association, Florida Chapter**

GAINESVILLE, Fla. – The University of Florida TREEO Center announced that Larry Bäck has been elected president and Karen Prine has been elected secretary of the Environmental Information Association, Florida Chapter.

Bäck took over as president in March at the EIA national conference in Austin, Texas, where he also was appointed to the association's Lead Council.

“My focus this year will be to try to increase membership and awareness of environmental issues in Florida,” said Bäck, who is senior training specialist and principal instructor for UF/TREEO's asbestos program and holds numerous certifications in asbestos and lead training.

Bäck has specialized for the last 12 years in developing site-specific training for asbestos and lead worker activities for state, federal and private facilities. He was been involved with the EIA since its inception in 1983 as the National Asbestos Council.

Prine has 30 years of experience with the division of continuing education at the University of Florida, with five of those years at UF/TREEO as coordinator of asbestos and lead abatement courses. Prine holds a bachelor's degree in professional management and a master of business administration from Nova University, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

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