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IOSHA and Mid America Sound Corporation Settle on State Fair Safety Order

Parties agree worker safety is enhanced by agreement

INDIANAPOLIS – Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration (IOSHA) has reached an agreement with Mid America Sound Corporation to settle the Safety Order issued as a result of an IOSHA investigation after the Indiana State Fair accident in 2011.

As a result of the settlement, Mid America Sound Corporation conducted a comprehensive temporary roof structures training course for designated employees, and has prepared a safety operations management plan for future stage erections. Additionally, Mid America employees attended a comprehensive 5-day safety training course conducted by an outside organization on the erection of temporary roof structures. Mid America also committed to providing similar safety training for other employees hired for these jobs in the future.

Mid America also agreed to payment of \$50,000 in violation penalties. These will be made through four periodic payments of \$12,500.

"This agreement is a resolution requiring both extensive safety improvements for the construction or erection of temporary roof structures and specifically related employee safety training that will create a safer workplace for Indiana event production workers," said Labor Commissioner Rick Ruble. "The agreement produces a positive outcome for everyone involved."

The agreement can be found at <u>www.in.gov/dol/files/MID_AMERICA_SOUND.pdf</u>.

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