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Applications Now Open for the 2016 Governor's Workplace Safety Awards

INDIANAPOLIS (November 6, 2015) – Employers now can apply for the 2016 Governor's Workplace Safety Awards. These annual occupational safety and health awards honor Indiana employers and employees who proactively work together to advance the health, safety, and prosperity of Hoosiers in the workplace in one of the following categories:

- Innovation
- Education & Outreach (Internal or External)
- Partnership
- Rising Star (New Category)

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Indiana workplaces of all types and sizes, including businesses, municipalities, unions, schools, service organizations, and nonprofits, are eligible for nomination. Awards are presented to organizations that have demonstrated exceptional workplace safety and health programs as well as processes or techniques relative to each organization's size.

To download the award application, visit <u>http://IN.gov/dol/2934.htm</u>. Applications must be received by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce no later than 5 p.m. (EST) Monday, February 1, 2016.

The annual Governor's Workplace Safety Awards is a cooperative effort between the Indiana Department of Labor, the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, and the Central Indiana Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers. The 2016 awards will be presented during the Governor's Workplace Safety Awards Luncheon at the annual Indiana Safety and Health Conference on March 23, 2016. For more information, visit <u>www.INSafetyConf.com</u>.

About the Indiana Department of Labor:

The mission of the Indiana Department of Labor is to advance the safety, health and prosperity of Hoosiers in the workplace. In order to make significant strides, we emphasize both enforcement and voluntary compliance by employers. Follow the Indiana Department of Labor on Twitter: <u>@INDeptofLabor</u> and Like on Facebook: <u>facebook.com/IndianaDeptartmentofLabor</u>.

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