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City of Jasper Surpasses Decade of Safety and Health Excellence

INDIANAPOLIS (Aug. 27, 2014) – The City of Jasper in Dubois County, Ind. is celebrating 11 consecutive years of Indiana Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (INSHARP) certification. The City of Jasper became Indiana’s first INSHARP site in 2003.

“The City of Jasper took the initiative to become the first INSHARP certified site in the state,” said Indiana Department of Labor (IDOL) Commissioner Rick J. Ruble. “They led the way in employee safety and health, and continue to demonstrate their dedication by maintaining INSHARP certification for more than a decade. The IDOL proudly continues its workplace safety and health partnership with the City of Jasper,” said Ruble.

Since the City of Jasper first became certified in 2003, 39 Indiana businesses have received and maintained INSHARP certification.

To participate in INSHARP, a company (or municipality) must develop, implement and maintain an exemplary worker safety and health management system and pass a comprehensive safety and health evaluation by the IDOL. In addition, the facility’s occupational injury and illness rates must be below the national industry average.

Founded in 1830, the City of Jasper is located in Bainbridge Township in the center of southern Indiana’s Dubois County. Jasper is home to major industries including manufacturing, distribution and logistics, medical, and retail.

For more information about INSHARP, visit www.in.gov/dol/insharp.

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 compliance assistance by employers. www.in.gov/dol

About INSHARP

Indiana Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (INSHARP) provides recognition, rewards and ongoing support to small Hoosier employers that operate exemplary safety and health management systems. Certification in INSHARP is an achievement of status that will single employers out among business peers as a model worksite for occupational safety and health. www.in.gov/dol/insharp

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