ARRANGEMENT ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE BETWEEN
THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS –
CENTRAL INDIANA CHAPTER (CIC)
AND
THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

The Indiana Department of Labor, Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and the American Society of Safety Engineers – Central Indiana Chapter hereinafter referred to collectively as “the Participants,”

RECOGNIZING that OSHA’s Alliance Program provides for the establishment of cooperative relationships for purposes such as training and education, outreach and communication, and promoting a national dialogue on workplace safety and health; and

RECOGNIZING that CIC-ASSE promotes the expertise, leadership and commitment of its members while providing them with professional development, advocacy and standards development as well as helping advance the occupational safety, health and environmental community’s standards for excellence and ethics;

Intend to form an Alliance to achieve the following:

Overall Objective

The Participants intend to establish a collaborative relationship to provide CIC-ASSE Chapter Members and others in Indiana with information, guidance, and access to education and training resources to promote workplace safety and health.

Training and Education

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following training and education goals:

- CIC-ASSE will conduct monthly technical meetings, from September to June, which will be open to anyone and work closely with IDOL to bring IOSHA programs to these meetings.
- CIC-ASSE will host an annual professional development conference, open to anyone, to provide training and education and will encourage IDOL staff participation as presenters and attendees.
- CIC-ASSE and IDOL will support and promote the student scholarship program to encourage professional development in occupational safety and health.
Outreach and Communication

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goals:

- CIC-ASSE will communicate IDOL contributions to the alliance with its members on a regular basis through a monthly newsletter, email and website (http://centralindiana.asse.org).
- An IDOL representative will be welcome and encouraged to attend all CIC-ASSE technical and board of director meetings regardless of topic.

Promotion of National Dialogue

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following goals related to promoting a joint dialogue on workplace safety and health:

- To raise awareness of and demonstrate commitment to workplace safety and health and workers’ rights under the OSH Act.
- IDOL and CIC-ASSE will promote the alliance on websites, newsletters and other publications.

Nothing in this Arrangement commits the Participants to the expenditure of any funds.

Employer Rights and Responsibilities

This Agreement does not preclude employees and/or employers, including CIC-ASSE, from exercising any rights provided under the IOSH Act nor shall it alleviate any responsibility to comply with any rule or regulation adopted under the IOSH Act. IOSHA may enter the site at any time, as provided by the IOSH Act, when it believes a serious compliance issue exists. No part of this agreement should be construed as limiting IOSHA enforcement activities, authority or rights of workers to protections afforded by the IOSH Act. This Agreement in non manner limits CIC-ASSE’s ability to exercise its rights to contest or appeal a citation.

Program Confidentiality

Information and resources delivered to the Indiana Department of Labor becomes a Public Record in accordance with the Indiana Access to Public Records Act and should therefore not include Trade Secrets or confidential information.

Alliance signatories appear on next page.
This Arrangement shall commence upon signature by both Participants. A Participant will provide thirty (30) days advanced written notice of its intent to discontinue the Arrangement. This Arrangement may be modified in writing at any time by mutual consent of the Participants.

Signed at Indianapolis, in duplicate, this 20th day of February 2014.

SIGNATORIES

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