Alliance Agreement

Indiana Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association,

Indiana Grocery and Convenience Store Association

and the

Indiana Department of Labor

March 28, 2012
The Indiana Department of Labor (hereinafter "IDOL"), Indiana Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association (hereinafter "IPCA"), Indiana Grocery and Convenience Store Association (hereinafter "IGSCA") and the Indiana Association of Beverage Retailers (hereinafter "IABR"), agree that entering into a Strategic Occupational Safety and Health Alliance Agreement is a benefit to all groups. The Alliance shall be a cooperative agreement involving IDOL and participating members of the IPCA and IGSCA to provide their members engaged in the late-night retail activities, with information, guidance and access to resources that will help them protect employees' health and safety.

IPCA and IGSCA member companies may request INSafe consultations and shall be given priority in scheduling onsite visits. INSafe may provide safety programs, site safety consulting and/or field services in accordance with its standard operating procedures. INSafe may also provide site-specific or strategic industrial hygiene services in accordance with its standard practices.

This agreement recognizes that INSafe will play a vital and continuing role in the delivery of group-wide services and OSHA outreach for the IPCA, IGSCA and IABR.

IPCA, IGSCA and IABR members may request INSafe onsite consultation and assistance by completing the form online at www.in.gov/dol/insafeconsultation. Semiannually, the Alliance participants shall meet in person or by phone to discuss the effectiveness of the alliance and ways to further strengthen ties between IDOL, IPCA, IGSCA and IABR.

IDOL, IPCA IGSCA and IABR will work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goals:

- IDOL will provide expertise in developing information on the recognition and prevention of workplace hazards, and provide expertise in developing ways of communicating such information to the IPCA, IGSCA and IABR and its members. IDOL will speak, exhibit, or appear at IPCA, IGSCA and IABR conferences, meetings and major industry trade shows as available and requested.

- The IDOL will share information and statistics, as determined to be appropriate by the Director of INSafe, to advance the goal of providing more relevant information and reducing injuries, illnesses and fatalities in the workplace (e.g., sharing fatality/injury and illness data that is generally unavailable to the public; these statistics may provide the basis for future prevention-based research).

- INSafe will consult with select member companies of the IPCA, IGSCA and IABR to assist with the development and delivery of group-wide occupational safety and health outreach and training programs.

- IPCA, IGSCA and IABR will share information with IDOL personnel and industry safety and health professionals regarding IPCA, IGSCA and IABR best practices or effective approaches and publicize results through outreach by IPCA, IGSCA and IABR and through IDOL events, print media, websites, etc.
- IPCA, IGSCA and IABR will promote and encourage member company participation in INSafe programs such as the OSHA Consultation Program and its INSHARP Program.

- INSafe will also provide strategic industrial hygiene and safety assistance to IPCA, IGSCA and IABR and its participants upon request. This work will be used to develop a common exposure picture for similar work application with member companies.

The IDOL’s Alliances provide vested parties an opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with the Indiana OSHA consultation program, INSafe, and the Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration (IOSHA) for purposes such as training and education, outreach and communication and promoting a national dialogue on occupational safety and health. These Alliances have proven to be valuable tools for both the IDOL and its Alliance participants. By entering into a strategic Alliance with a vested party, neither IDOL nor any of its divisions is endorsing any of that party’s products or services; nor does the IDOL enter into an Alliance with the purpose of promoting a particular party’s products or services.

Participants in this Alliance agreement will meet at least two times per year, either formally or informally, to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the agreement. Participants in this semiannual meeting will include representatives of the IDOL, IPC, IGSCA and IABR.

This Alliance agreement will remain in effect for two (2) years. Any signatory may terminate this Alliance agreement for any reason, at any time, provided 30 days written notice is given. This Alliance agreement may be modified at any time during the period with the concurrence of the signatories.

All Alliance signatories appear on the page that follows.
Dated this 28th day of March, 2012.

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