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Applications Now Open for the 2017 Governor's Workplace Safety Awards and Everyday Safety Hero Award

INDIANAPOLIS (November 2, 2016) – The Indiana Safety and Health Conference is now seeking applications for the 2017 Governor's Workplace Safety Awards and Everyday Safety Hero Award. Applications must be received by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce no later than 5 p.m. (EST) Wednesday, January 18, 2017.

The annual Governor's Workplace Safety Awards honor Indiana employers and employees who proactively work together to advance the health, safety, and prosperity of Hoosiers in the workplace. Hoosier 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 demonstrate exceptional workplace safety and health programs as well as processes or techniques relative to each organization's size.

New this year, employers are encouraged to nominate their safety champion for the Everyday Safety Hero Award. This award seeks to recognize an individual Hoosier and his or her involvement in protecting workers through leadership, innovation, teamwork promotion, or hazard identification and correction.

To download either award application, please visit www.in.gov/dol/2934.htm.

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 2017 awards will be presented during the Governor's Workplace Safety Awards Luncheon at the annual Indiana Safety and Health Conference on March 2, 2017. For more information about the 2017 Indiana Safety and Health Conference and Expo, visit www.INSafetyConf.com.

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: @INDeptofLabor and Like on Facebook: facebook.com/IndianaDeptartmentofLabor.

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