Construction Advisory Committee

September 4, 2007 9:00 – 11:00 AM

Attendees:

Bob Harris Peggy Munsell Dede Montgomery Chris Ottoson Marilyn Schuster Bruce Dennis Ron Haverkost Bill White Daniel Sabatino Tony Barsotti Barry Moreland Dave McLaughlin Tony Howard Michael Wood

<u>Meeting minute</u>

1. **Review minutes:**

August 2007 minutes were approved as written.

Posted Construction Advisory Committee minutes can be found at: http://www.cbs.state.or.us/external/osha/standards/const_advise.html

2. Old Business:

< Status of current rule review- Peggy Munsell

Motor vehicle rules in Div. 2 & 3- Public hearing was held August 29, 2007. Comment period ends September 5, 2007.

Fire Extinguisher Div. 2/L- Public hearing is set for September 27, 2007. The proposed changes are for ease of reading/ plain language.

Air Contaminants Div. 2 & 3- Rule will be proposed in the coming months.

Electrical Div. 2/S- Rule finalized August 15, 2007.

< Health & Safety Issues (global/current)

- Legislation- Marilyn Schuster (*The committee agreed this agenda item would be combined with the Status of current rule review item above for future meetings.*)

HB 2223- Successor Employer- The temporary rule will be filed this week. Stakeholder meetings to be scheduled.

HB 2222- Safety Committee- Stakeholder meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2007.

SB 556- Changes to appeals rights and time frames for filing discrimination-The temporary rule will be filed in September. Public hearing on permanent rule is scheduled for October 30, 2007.

-Training Opportunities- (Delete from agenda)

- Vehicle Fleet Safety – Bill White

Bill reported that the sub-committee is working on streamlining all the information they have been discussing and that Ellis Brasch has been assisting them with creating a vehicle

safety guide.

Dede Montogomery asked if vehicle idling was discussed. Bill responded that it was discussed and the sub-committee decided not to add anything specific to idling in this guide. They suggested it might be more appropriate added to OR-OSHA's external training workshop. The suggestion was to be forwarded to Jason Jantzi. OR-OSHA will start providing the vehicle safety training late 2007/early 2008.

- Warning Lines in Construction - Tony Barsotti

Tony reported that the sub-committee met on August 15 and the next meeting is Sept. 12. The sub-committee has continued to discuss the criteria, draft warning lines sign and brochure or fact sheet. Ellis Brasch is working on the draft language and sign. Chris Miller from AGC is taking Joe Miller's spot on the sub-committee. The committee also discussed that it was important that the language not look like it is a requirement. It will be a best practices document. Notes from the August meeting were distributed and were made a part of the record.

-Letter of Interpretation (1/9/06 Steel Erection)- Ron Haverkost

Ron distributed a draft letter of a new interpretation on steel erection. The committee will review for the next meeting

- Hexavalent Chromium

Dave McLaughin provided an update on Portland cement and a copy of the Program Directive A-258. The topics that OR-OSHA still has to address are sanitation, inhalation, and permissible limit. At the last meeting, Tony asked about the exposure of grinding and crushing- Dave McLaughlin and Marilyn Schuster talked about the limited testing that OR-OSHA has completed and that OR-OSHA found that Portland cement was well under permissible exposure levels. The committee discussed that if workers were protecting themselves from the other exposures (e.g., silica) in that type of setting that the Hexavalent Chromium was at such a low level the worker would be protected.

- Confined Space Entry Training Materials- Peggy Munsell

Scenarios will be addressed in the fall issue of the Construction Depot.

-Z359 Fall Protection Code- Tony Barsotti-

Tony talked about the recent ASSE meeting and the training provided regarding fall protection. The committee discussed the changes to the ANSI standard and future changes to equipment.

3. New Business:

< Health and Safety Issues (global/current)-

Michael Wood brought up that the number of Oregon workplace fatalities is up for the 2007; previous years have been 5-6 per year, this year we are at eight already. The committee discussed what could be learned from the recent fatalities and the issues affecting the workplace today. They also discussed how the media is reporting or not reporting on the

fatalities.

< Uniformity Issues-

Ron Haverkost brought up construction sites using scaffold for shoring or support of concrete formwork. The committee talked about the Federal requirements and scaffold use in Oregon. Ron will report back at a future meeting after completing some research.

Dan Sabatino described a job site situation involving manually propelled scaffolding that he wanted clarification on. He drew a picture of a scaffolding structure and asked OR-OSHA's Technical section to review and interpret. Dan was asked to submit his question in writing to the OR-OSHA Technical section for interpretation.

Open Forum-

Barry Moreland provided several copies of a training CD entitled *Arc Flash Awareness by NIOSH & CDC.* This training CD set will be available in the OR-OSHA Resource Library.

< Agenda for Next Meeting-

A question came up why none of the 2008 CAC meetings were scheduled in the Portland area. Linda Rabe will work on scheduling some of the 2008 meetings in the Portland area.

Meeting adjourn

Next meeting- Tuesday, October 2, 2007 - Room B

Respectfully submitted, Linda E. Rabe