# **Oregon OSHA**

# Construction Advisory Committee

Tuesday, May 3, 2011

### **Meeting Minutes**

Dave Kaiser **Attendees:** Roger Dale-Moore Dave Parsons Angie Hannan Jill Haverkost Anthony Morton **David Davidson** Russ Nicolai Barry Moreland Dianna Gray Tom McCullen Brian Silbernagel Eliot Lapidus Tony Barsotti Bruce Roller Gary Beck **Tony Howard** Chris Ottoson Marilyn Schuster Mary Lou Wilson

Cindy Regier Michael Wood

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am Introductions

#### Approval of Minutes:

Dave asked everyone to take a <u>quick</u> minute to review the minutes. (<u>a minute still = 60 sec</u>) A motion was made by Roger to approve the minutes as submitted and seconded by Tom.

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

## Lessons Learned:

Tom McCullen, of Slayden presented on another accident related to traffic control in a construction zone. A motorhome made initial contact with vehicles in front of it, causing a multi-car incident. The driver passed seven warning signs, claiming that he saw none of them. Police officials cited the driver for work zone violations equaling 5000 dollars. Tom's emphasis was to set your traffic zones properly and require flaggers and other employees to always pay attention to the traffic. Committee members discussed specifics of the traffic requirements making reference to the flagger certification handbook.

# Continuing Business:

Status of rule making -

Rulemaking updates can be found at:

http://www.cbs.state.or.us/osha/pdf/rules/2010development.pdf.

Marilyn discussed updates on the confined spaces rules and oxy-fuel rule meetings that are ongoing with projected purposed dates of mid 2011. Other meetings will be held for Oregon OSHA penalties (June, 2nd) and scheduling provisions for general industry(May 13<sup>th</sup>), both at the L&I.

#### **Cranes and Derricks Rule:**

Ron Haverkost provided an update.

The preamble was completed and forwarded through the review process. The publication is going slower than anticipated with the news of a potential change for digger derrick application to the rule for the power transmission and distribution industry. Tony Barsotti asked for clarification on the "fall zone" application for qualified riggers.

When loads are hooked, unhooked, guided, or initially connected to a component or structure and are within the fall zone, they must be rigged by a qualified rigger. The fall zone is the area in which it is reasonably foreseeable that part of or all of the load could fall in the event of an accident.

A qualified rigger will normally be identified as one who by extensive knowledge, training and experience, has successfully demonstrated the ability to solve/resolve problems relating to rigging.

## **High visibility Garments:**

Ron provided information from the utilities industry meetings in support for the fact sheet and not a change in the rule. The feedback and suggestions that Oregon OSHA received was reviewed and incorporated into new text. One suggestion was to put pictures of each class of vest in the publication. Ellis Brasch suggested inserting a garment tag that would provide a better separation of classes where pictures do not, the committee agreed.

# Overnight Hospitalizations Report:

Dianna Gray provided the committee with a summary of overnight hospitalizations reported to Oregon OSHA field offices during the last month that included the industry, type of injury and the mechanism of injury.

One such incident happened in the construction industry relating to sheetrock falling on an employee fracturing his/her leg(s).

## Roundtable: -

**DeDe-** gave an update on Oregon Young Employee Safety O[YES] activities including a new tip sheet for parents, safety video winners and upcoming coverage relating young worker on channel 6 KOIN television. A reminder of the 2011 American Industrial Hygiene Conference & Exposition (AIHce) scheduled for May 14–19 in Portland. The CROET symposium is June 3<sup>rd</sup> with a focus on innovative communications and messaging.

**Russ**- mentioned his ongoing concern with end user fall protection problems as it relates to green roof applications. Examples of gardeners either not having or not using fall protection when it is available. Some available systems that are installed for

the end user that could potentially create problems for emergency response employees that could trip on horizontal systems that are not readily identifiable.

**Bruce**- recognized and complimented Michael Wood for his participation at the Worker Memorial Day last Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Tony Howard**- Expanded on last months mention of AED's on construction sites and the recent success story of yet another employee heart attack that because of quick response and employee's training they were able to use the AED and save a life.

**Barry**- reminded the group of the upcoming Women in Trades Career Fair at NECA/IBEW Electrical Training Center Portland, May 12-14. He asked if there were any rules regarding employees working alone and what the industry is doing regarding employee safety. The consensus was there are no rules, however as a practical matter that each employer should review there action plans and medical plans to ensure employees are provided for prompt medical attention.

**Ron**- provided the committee a draft of all the rules in construction concerning electrical power line safety regarding encroachment distances. The group was asked to respond by May 17<sup>th</sup> regarding ideas for potential documents or publications that would improve the industries understanding regarding the various encroachment distances.

There was a group discussion on horseplay and one such scenario that ended in an employee's termination. That discussion lead to ways that powder actuated rounds are disposed of, to include various configurations of containers having water and later thrown in the general trash.

It was mentioned that Federal OSHA has online courses for OSHA 10 and 30 classes. After reviewing the federal web site it does not appear that they have an online OSHA 10 or 30 class.

# Planning for Agenda and for Next Meeting:

When: Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Where: AGC Center Wilsonville