## **Oregon OSHA**

# **Construction Advisory Committee**

Tuesday, October 2, 2012

#### **Meeting Minutes**

Attendees:Eliot LapidusMaryAnne MinyardBret TaylorEllis BraschMary Lou WilsonCindy RegierGary BeckPeg MunsellDave DavidsonIan ChaseRoger Dale-MooreDave KaiserJill McConnellRoy Kroker

Dede Montgomery Marilyn Schuster
Dianna Gray Marlinda Newmyer

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Dave Davidson Introductions were made

#### Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Eliot Lapidus, second by Ian Chase, and minutes were approved.

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

#### Lessons Learned:

MaryAnne Minyard, Oregon OSHA Enforcement Manager of the Eugene Field office, spoke about a case regarding temporary workers. Lessons learned from this case are:

- when completing an accident investigation, keep an open mind and gather as much information as you can,
- being educated on Temps vs. Hosts (direction and control, who is responsible for reporting and logging injuries, etc...),
- get to know your foreman and workers

The group discussed incentive programs and various successful types of programs such as having drawings for employee input and handing out "Get Caught Working Safe" awards.

# Continuing Business:

Status of rule making -

Rulemaking updates can be found at:

http://www.orosha.org/pdf/rules/2012development.pdf

A brief update by Peg Munsell:

Proposed Changes with Federal OSHA amendments for **GHS for Hazard Communication in General Industry, Construction, and Shipyard Employment**: Finalized with delayed effective date.

**Confined Space Rule:** Finalized with effective date of April 1, 2013.

Protective Personal Equipment (PPE) in Construction: Draft developed for PPE in construction that is similar to Division 2. The PPE rule in construction will not require employers to verify that the required workplace hazard assessment has been performed through a written certification. Oregon OSHA will also change the general industry hole covering requirements for holes in floors, roofs, and other walking/working surfaces, to include skylights and skylight screens. Requirements for general industry and construction will be the same. Proposal to be filed in the late fall.

**Employer Knowledge:** Oregon OSHA will be forming a stakeholder committee regarding developing a standard on employer responsibility for supervisor conduct. Stakeholder meeting scheduled for November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Portland Field Office. Looking to file in the fall.

**Small Cranes in Construction:** The rule will require general industry employers with mobile crews that have employees operating small capacity (more than 1 ton but less than 20 ton) mobile cranes to meet the crane operator training requirements found in construction, Division 3, Subdivision CC. The draft rules provide an additional option for construction employers for operator training, and adds requirements for training in general industry. Proposed rules will be filed by the end of the year.

**Oxygen-fuel gas:** Divisions 2/H, 2/Q, 3/F, and 3/J: Work to update and improve Oregon's oxygen-fuel gas rules for welding in general industry and construction is still underway. Major topics of possible change being discussed are: installation of reverse flow check valves, installation of flashback arrestors, drop and/or leak testing prior to use of equipment, transportations of oxy-fuel gas cylinders in unventilated enclosed vehicle compartments, limiting the practice of cracking to oxygen cylinders only, and training and documentation of training requirements.

### Overnight Hospital Report:

Dianna Gray gave an update covering September incidents. There were 5 fatalities (three heart attacks, a struck by, and motor vehicle accident) and 4 construction incidents (three falls and a struck by).

#### Roundtable:

<u>Ellis Brasch:</u> Notified the group that the *Construction Depot* will be out around October 15<sup>th</sup> with an emphasis on Hazard Communication.

<u>Dede Montgomery:</u> Announced the Fall Symposium, <u>Workplace Aggression</u>, on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and to register online through the CROET website.

<u>Eliot Lapidus:</u> AGC has an opening for the Salem region. Contact him or visit the AGC website for more information.

<u>Dianna Gray:</u> She saw Dede at the Small Business fair and thanked Dede for her time that she dedicates to promoting safety.

<u>Dave Davidson:</u> Send your nominations for the 2013 Chair position to him or Jill McConnell.

Gary Beck: Announced that more job openings (seven) with Oregon OSHA will be posted soon.

### Planning for Agenda and for Next Meeting:

When: Tuesday, November 6, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Where: L&I Room F