



AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE
BETWEEN
THE MICHIGAN OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND
HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (MIOSHA)
AND
THE MICHIGAN GREEN INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION
(MGIA)

The Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) and the Michigan Green Industry Association (MGIA) recognize the value of establishing a collaborative relationship to foster safer and more healthful Michigan workplaces. To that end, MIOSHA and MGIA hereby form an Alliance to provide MGIA's members and others with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect the health and safety of workers, particularly by reducing and preventing workplace accidents, injuries, and illnesses, and to understand the rights of workers and the responsibilities of employers under the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Act (MIOASH Act). In developing this Alliance, MIOSHA and MGIA recognize that MIOSHA's Consultation Education and Training (CET) Division is an integral part of this effort.

Raising Awareness of MIOSHA's Rulemaking and Enforcement Initiatives

The participants intend to work together to achieve the following goals related to raising awareness of MIOSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives:

- To share information on OSHA’s National Emphasis Programs, MIOSHA’s Local Emphasis Programs, Regulatory Agenda, and opportunities to participate in the rulemaking process.
- To share information on occupational safety and health laws and standards, including the rights and responsibilities of workers and employers, with MGIA members and Michigan Green Industry employers and employees.
- To convene or participate in forums, roundtable discussions, or meetings to help forge innovative solutions in the workplace or to provide input on safety and health issues.
- To encourage worker participation in workplace safety and health by promoting the services available through MIOSHA’s CET Division, including, but not limited to, safety and health hazard surveys, employee/employer safety training, and MIOSHA’s CET Division’s cooperative programs.

Training and Education

The participants intend to work together to achieve the following training and education goals:

- To develop effective training and education programs for the green industry regarding safe work practices, equipment maintenance and operation, MIOSHA required standards, and to communicate such information to constituent employers and workers through MGIA seminars and training.
- To develop effective training and education programs for the green industry to promote understanding of workers’ rights, including the use of the MIOSHA complaint process, and the responsibilities of employers and to communicate such information to workers and employers.
- To sponsor and participate in meetings such as “Coffee With MIOSHA”, to better facilitate rapport and understanding between MIOSHA and member companies.
- To invite and allow MIOSHA staff to attend any safety training classes or seminars that MGIA sponsors, free of charge.

Outreach and Communication

The participants intend to work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goals:

MGIA

- Develop information on the recognition and prevention of workplace hazards, and develop ways of communicating such information (e.g., print and electronic media, electronic assistance tools, and MIOSHA's and MGIA administrator websites) to MGIA member companies.
- MGIA may work with other alliance participants on specific issues and projects that are addressed and developed through the alliance program as requested.
- MGIA will host and/or promote health and safety related seminars throughout Southeast Michigan.
- MGIA will notify members via newsletters and websites of applicable MTI seminars and encourage participation in the MTI certificate programs.
- MGIA will, over the three years of the agreement, promote and solicit ten members locations to participate in site visits and use MIOSHA CET services (e.g. hazard surveys, air and noise monitoring, health and safety training).

MGIA will share information among MIOSHA personnel and industry safety and health professionals regarding MGIA's good practices or effective approaches through training programs, workshops, seminars, and lectures (or any other applicable forum) developed by the participants.

MIOSHA

- Provide the members with information and assistance on MIOSHA programs and initiatives.
- Promote the alliance and MGIA activities in the MIOSHA Newsletter and on the MIOSHA website.
- Attend monthly MGIA meetings, or other events as requested.

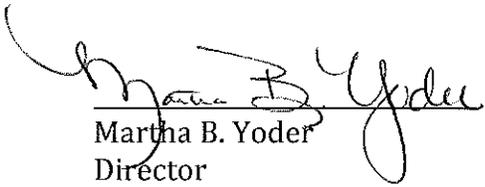
- Recognize association members that participate in MIOSHA programs via MIOSHA newsletter and website.
- Offer association members consultation/hazard surveys offered by MIOSHA-CET Consultants.
- Provide association members with information and assistance on MIOSHA programs and initiatives.

MIOSHA's alliances provide parties an opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with MIOSHA for purposes such as raising awareness of MIOSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives, training and education, and outreach and communication. These Alliances have proved to be valuable tools for both MIOSHA and its Alliance participants. By entering into an alliance with a party, MIOSHA is not endorsing or promoting, nor does it intend to endorse or promote, any of that party's products or services.

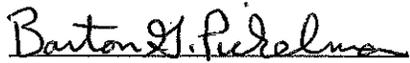
An implementation team made up of representatives of each organization will meet to develop a plan of action, determine working procedures, and identify the roles and responsibilities of the participants. In addition, they will meet at least three times per year to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the Alliance. MIOSHA team members will include representatives of the MIOSHA CET Division.

The alliance agreement will remain in effect for three years from the date of signing. Either signatory may terminate it for any reason at any time, provided they give 30 days' written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the written concurrence of all signatories.

Signed this 18th day of June, 2015.



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