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IWCA FORMS ALLIANCE WITH OSHA TO PROMOTE SAFETY

The International Window Cleaning Association (IWCA) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) announced their alliance to promote safe and healthful working conditions for professionals who work within the window cleaning industry.

“We pursued the alliance with OSHA to promote the importance of on-going safety education in our industry,” said Victor Munson, IWCA President. “With representatives of both organizations working together, we should be able to achieve our goal of increasing safe and healthful working conditions.”

The new alliance will concentrate on educating members by providing them with information and guidance to help them protect their employees. It is IWCA’s intention to focus on (i) improving fall protection education (ii.) reducing other job site hazards and (iii) addressing the challenges of small business owners and low literacy and limited English of employees in the window cleaning industry.

Stefan Bright, IWCA Safety Director, said he is pleased with the new alliance and the impact it will have on the IWCA. “The alliance formalizes our commitment as an organization to the safety and well-being of our employees,” Bright noted.

In addition to member education, IWCA and OSHA will work together to promote workplace safety and health on a national level. “We want our members, and everyone in our industry, to know we take workplace safety very seriously,” said Debra Nemec, Executive Director for IWCA. “Together, IWCA and OSHA will be able to utilize their combined resources to maximize job site safety and awareness.”

Both groups formalized their alliance during a meeting at 3 p.m., June 10 at OSHA Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

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