

## **ANNUAL AREA OFFICE ALLIANCE REPORT**

# **International Union of Operating Engineers**

## **Local 399**

**January, 2014**

### **I. Alliance Background**

**Date Signed: October, 2009**

**Renewed February, 2012**

**Expiration Date February, 2014**

#### **Alliance Overview.**

**Primary goals of the Alliance are to strengthen the relationship with the Operating Engineers - Local 399, participate in training sessions and work on special projects that are mutually beneficial to all participants.**

#### **Implementation Team Members.**

**Mr. James Coates – Training Fund Administrator – International Union of Operating Engineers – Local 399**

**Mr. James Martineck - OSHA -- Calumet City Area Office**

### **II. Implementation Team Meetings**

**Implementation team meetings are conducted by meetings and e-mails regarding various projects and Alliance activities. Last meeting was in March, 2013.**

### **III. Activities and Products**

**This report summarizes activities since the annual report of March, 2013.**

#### **Alliance Activity.**

**The foundation of the Alliance continues to be OSHA's participation in the OSHA 10- hour program established by Local 399.**

**Alliance activities are anticipated to continue in the spring of 2014 during which four to five OSHA 10 hour presentations will be conducted.**

An asbestos awareness session for members of Local 399 working in older commercial / retail buildings in the Chicago area in which asbestos is likely to be encountered was presented in June of 2013. Local 399 continues to make its training facility and HVAC lab equipment available to train OSHA CSHOs if needed.

Participation in the OSHA 10 hour and Asbestos courses were as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>In Attendance</b>
<b>May 15, 2013 (Asbestos)</b>	<b>Chicago</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>June 24, 2013</b>	<b>Chicago</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>91</b>

Each session included a Q / A session between Local 399 attendees and OSHA personnel. All the OSHA 10-hour courses include the required two-hour Introduction to OSHA module.

In addition, Local 399 representatives contact OSHA with various questions on working conditions, the OSHA standards, and general assistance is provided as needed.

**Alliance Products.**

Through the Alliance, an awareness training session on asbestos in commercial / retail buildings was developed and presented. This session reviewed the OSHA requirements for building owners under 29 CFR 1910 and included a brief overview of the requirements found in 29 CFR 1926. This session was not designed to train or certify employees in asbestos removal or serve as the refresher training required by the standards.

**IV. Results**

This Alliance has been very successful in continuing the long-standing, strong relationship between OSHA and Local 399.

**V. Upcoming Milestones**

As mentioned, OSHA will continue to conduct the All About OSHA sessions for the OSHA 10 hour courses held by Local 399.

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