



# Occupational Safety & Health State Plan Association

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Dear Ms. Megathlin:

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Congratulations on the impending approval of the Maine State Plan, serving the needs of state and local government employers and their employees within the State of Maine. Achieving recognition by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is no easy task, and doing so is a credit to the Maine program's hard work and dedication to workplace health and safety.

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Although Maine has for some time been an active presence within the Occupational Safety and Health State Plan Association (OSHSPA), Maine is now entitled to membership. Under the by-laws, Maine need only apply in writing (electronic or otherwise – no particular form or format is required). The OSHSPA Board will then act on the request. Beyond that application and your status as an approved state plan, the only requirement to remain a member in good standing is the payment of modest annual dues (currently set at \$100 per year). With the addition of Maine, OSHSPA membership will increase to a total of 28 programs.

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OSHSPA is committed to doing what we can to foster the success of individual members. I hope that the Maine program and its staff will not hesitate to call upon me or other OSHSPA board members – as well as the broader membership of the group – in your efforts to promote workplace health and safety within Maine. And I hope that you will be able to continue your active OSHSPA participation– now as a full and formal member. I look forward to seeing Steve Greeley and any others who are able to attend the meeting in Maryland in October, so that we can join in celebrating your accomplishment.

The greatest challenges for all of us, of course, remain in the future. That is one of the exciting realities of our shared purpose – the protection of workers from hazards that can cause serious injury, illness or death.

Sincerely,

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