

June 18, 2019

Ken Nishiyama Atha, Regional Administrator Occupational Safety and Health Administration 230 S. Dearborn St., Room 3244 Chicago, IL 60604

Dear Mr. Atha:

RE: Minnesota's Response to the FY 2018 Follow-up FAME Report

Thank you for the opportunity to partner with Federal OSHA and to work collaboratively during the FY 2018 Follow-up FAME process to ensure that Minnesota's state plan program (MNOSHA) continues to be effective at protecting the safety and health of workers. MNOSHA prides itself on being a continuous improvement organization and truly values constructive input and feedback. We request this letter be posted with the Follow-up FAME report on the OSHA webpage.

MNOSHA was very pleased that there were no findings as a result of the FY 2018 Follow-up FAME report. MNOSHA appreciates your recognition in the FY 2018 Follow-up FAME of the noteworthy accomplishments we had towards meeting our annual performance goals. We believe the Minnesota program for occupational safety and health continues to be highly effective in protecting Minnesota workers from on-the-job injuries, illnesses, and exposures as evidenced by Minnesota's downward trend in injury and illness rates.

I appreciate the comments contained within the report, as well as MNOSHA's positive working relationship with you and others at the area, regional and national level.

Sincerely,

Nancy J. Leppink Commissioner

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