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SUBJECT: Regional Local Emphasis Program (REP) on Falls, Scaffolds, and Electrocutions from Overhead Power Lines in Construction

REGIONAL IDENTIFIER: Region VII

ABSTRACT

Purpose: The Instruction continues the regional emphasis program to reduce injuries and deaths resulting from falls, scaffolds, and electrocutions from overhead power lines in the construction industry.

Scope: This instruction applies to Region VII Area Offices.

References: OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-163, Field Operations Manual, September 13, 2019, or the most current version at the time of the inspection opening conference

OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-155, Inspection Scheduling for Construction, September 6, 2013

OSHA Instruction CPL 2-15-01F, Region-wide Local Emphasis Program (LEP) for Powered Industrial Trucks and Other Material or Personnel Handling Motorized Equipment in Construction, General Industry, and Maritime, October 1, 2019

OSHA Instruction STD 03-11-002 Compliance Guidance for Residential Construction, June 16, 2011

OSHA Instruction CPL 04-00-002, Procedures for Approval of Local Emphasis Programs (LEPs), November 13, 2018

Cancellation: This Instruction cancels CPL 98-02Y, Region-wide Local Emphasis Program (LEP) on Falls, Scaffolds, and Electrocutions from Overhead Power Lines in Construction, October 1, 2018.

State Plan Impact: None

Action Offices: Region VII Area Offices

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Executive Summary

The Instruction continues the inspection identification system for a regional emphasis program to reduce injuries and deaths resulting from falls, scaffolds, and electrocutions from overhead power lines in the construction industry.

The intent is to encourage employers to take steps to address hazards, ensure facilities are evaluated to determine if the employer complies with all relevant OSHA requirements, and to help employers correct hazards, thereby reducing potential injuries, illnesses, and death of workers.

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- I. Purpose.** The purpose of the Instruction is to continue the enforcement element of the Regional Emphasis Program (REP) to reduce injuries and deaths resulting from falls, scaffolds, and electrocutions from overhead power lines in the construction industry.
- II. Scope.** The Instruction applies to all construction worksites located within the jurisdiction of Federal OSHA in Region VII (Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and Iowa). Iowa also operates an OSHA-approved State plan and is encouraged, but not required, to adopt the initiative.
- III. Expiration.** This Instruction will expire September 30, 2024.
- IV. Action.** OSHA Compliance personnel shall follow the procedures contained in this instruction when conducting outreach and enforcement activities.
- V. References.**
 - A. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act).
 - B. OSHA Instruction CPL 04-00-002, Procedures for Approval of Local Emphasis Programs (LEPs), November 13, 2018.
 - C. OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-163, Field Operations Manual (FOM), September 13, 2019, or the most current version at the time of the inspection opening conference.
 - D. OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-025, Scheduling System for Programmed Inspections, dated January 4, 1995.
 - E. OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-051, Enforcement Exemptions and Limitations under the Appropriations Act, dated May 28, 1998 and Change dated December 18, 2018 (Appendix A), or most current version.
 - F. OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-155, Inspection Scheduling for Construction, dated September 6, 2013.
 - G. OSHA Instruction STD 03-11-002, Compliance Guidance for Residential Construction, June 16, 2011.
 - H. OSHA Memorandum from James W. Stanley, on [Focused Inspections in Construction](#), dated August 22, 1994 and change dated September 20, 1995
 - I. OSHA Memorandum from Francis Yebesi to Regional Administrators, Establishment-Targeting Lists for Emphasis Programs, November 12, 2014.
 - J. OSHA Regional Notice CPL 2-15-01F, Region-wide Local Emphasis Program (LEP) for Powered Industrial Trucks and Other Material or Personnel Handling Motorized Equipment in Construction, General Industry, and Maritime, October 1, 2019.
- VI. Cancellation.** This Instruction cancels OSHA Regional Notice CPL 98-02Y, Region-wide Local Emphasis Program (LEP) on Falls, Scaffolds, and Electrocutions from Overhead Power Lines in Construction, October 1, 2018.
- VII. Action Offices.** Region VII Area Offices

VIII. Background. The referenced REP accounted for 48% of all safety inspections, 80% of all construction inspections, and 40% of all inspections (i.e. all safety and health inspections) throughout Region VII in FY 2016-2018.

Historically, 32% of fatal and catastrophic Federal enforcement incidents in OSHA Region VII, during October 1, 2001 through April 8, 2019, were in the construction industry. Nationally, out of 4,674 worker fatalities in private industry in calendar year 2017, 971 or 20.7% were in construction, which is, one in five worker deaths last year were in construction. Leading causes of private sector worker deaths (excluding highway collisions) in the construction industry were falls, followed by struck by object, electrocution, and caught-in/between.

In calendar year 2017, falls accounted for 381 of 971 (39.2 %) total deaths in construction. Electrocutions accounted for 7.3% of construction deaths. In FY 2017, there were 50 fall related incidents; there were seven electrical shock related incidents, two of which were fatal. In FY 2018, there were 34 fall related incidents. Electrocution-related incidents accounted for 15% of all fatality and/or catastrophic incidents with 77% of construction electrocutions related to overhead power lines. In FY 2018, there were 12 electrical shock related incidents; five were fatal. Between October 1, 2018 and April 8, 2019 there were ten electrical shock related incidents, three were fatal. During this time, 49 fall from height related incidents occurred, 11 were fatal.

For FY 2020, Region VII will continue emphasis on scaffolds. Of the top 10 most frequently cited standards in FY 2018 (nation-wide), 29 CFR Section 1926.451 ranked third. In addition, 29 CFR Section 1926.501 ranked first.

From FY 2000-2018, there were 12 fatalities, 12 hospitalizations, and three injuries reported, not resulting in death or hospitalization, related to scaffold use in the construction industry in Region VII. The data speaks to a continued need for outreach and training.

The above data justifies continuation of the regional problem solving initiative to reduce injuries and deaths resulting from falls, scaffolds, and electrocutions from overhead power lines in the construction industry.

IX. Inspection Scheduling and Site Selection. Area Offices will follow the procedures and the site randomization protocols outlined in the November 12, 2014, OSHA Memorandum: Establishment – Targeting Lists for Emphasis Programs.

- A. Whenever a Compliance Safety and Health Officer (CSHO) has observed or OSHA receives report of an active construction site with fall hazards, overhead power lines, and/or scaffolds in use, OSHA shall inspect the site.
 - 1. Fall hazards shall include any observed or reported conditions exposing employees to working at heights greater than six feet above ground, or greater than six feet above the next lower walking/working surface level.
 - 2. Overhead power line hazards shall include any observed or reported employees or equipment used in proximity to overhead power lines.
 - 3. Scaffolds in use shall include scaffolds, which one or more employees are erecting, dismantling, accessing, or engaged in working on or from a scaffold.
- B. The Area Office will schedule for inspection all active construction sites where CSHOs observe overhead power lines, which the Area Office has not inspected within the last 30 days.
- C. Where CSHOs observe or a stakeholder reports a fall and/or overhead power line hazard, as defined in Paragraph IX.A., all active construction sites will be scheduled for inspection.
- D. The Area Office will schedule for an inspection all active construction sites where a CSHO observes a scaffold in use or a stakeholder reports a scaffold in use.

X. Inspection Procedures. Inspections will be conducted in accordance with this Instruction and the Field Operations Manual.

- A. Observations. Whenever a CSHO observes an active construction site with fall hazards and/or overhead power lines, and/or where scaffolds are in use, or whenever an Area Office receives a report from any source of an active construction site with fall hazards and/or overhead power lines, and/or scaffolds in use OSHA shall:
 - Document the state and condition of the work operation known, including any apparent serious hazards.
 - Document the name and address or location of the worksite and contractor performing the operation, if known.
 - Document events leading up to the observation or events leading to the report
 - 1. Observations are those occurring within routine travel during duty or nonduty hours, not during a specific search.
 - 2. When a CSHO does not conduct an inspection because the employer denied entry, the Area Office will normally pursue a warrant in accordance with current procedure for handling such cases. The Area Office shall follow the FOM for procedures when the employer refuses to permit an inspection.
 - 3. If the CSHO, during duty hours or authorized weekend duty (as provided in Paragraph X.C.), observes an active construction site(s) where fall

hazards, and/or overhead power lines, and/or scaffolds in use are present, an inspection shall be conducted and the Area Office informed as soon as practical after the inspection has been completed.

- B. Verification Inspections. If an employer and/or contractor pass an OSHA verification inspection, as required by a signed construction partnership agreement, the employer would not be subject to an inspection under this initiative unless the compliance officer observes a plain view hazard. If a Compliance Officer observes a plain view hazard, OSHA will conduct an inspection.

If the employer has not had a verification inspection, a CSHO will conduct a verification inspection while at the construction site.

- C. Weekend inspections. During FY 2020, Region VII compliance staff has authority on weekends to stop at active construction worksites after observing fall hazards, and/or overhead power lines, and/or scaffolds in use, and conduct an inspection. Sightings are those occurring during routine travel, not as result of a specific search.

- D. Scope of Inspections.

The CSHO conducts a walkthrough inspection of the construction sites covered under this program. The inspection is limited to fall hazards, and/or overhead power line hazards, and/or any potential violation of scaffold standard(s) (i.e., 1926.450-.454), in accordance with paragraph IX.A. If the CSHO determines the construction site complies with applicable 29 CFR 1926 fall protection, scaffolding, and overhead power line standards, the compliance officer will conclude the inspection, unless the CSHO observes other serious violations in plain view. If the CSHO observes any other serious hazard(s), other than covered by this directive, the CSHO will expand the scope of the inspection to a focused inspection. Focused inspections shall concentrate on the project safety and health program/plan and four leading hazards accounting for most fatalities and serious injuries in the construction industry: fall hazards; electrical hazards; caught in/between hazards (such as trenching); and "struck-by" hazards (such as materials handling equipment and construction vehicles). [Reference: FOM and OSHA Standards Interpretation and Compliance Letter, 08/22/1994 – Guidance to Compliance Officers for Focused Inspections in the Construction Industry]. CSHOs will evaluate struck by vehicle hazards on each inspection conducted in accordance with OSHA Regional Instruction CPL 2-15-01F. The CSHO will inspect any other hazards observed in plain view even if not one of the hazards covered by this directive or focused inspection.

- E. Programmed Inspections.

1. Each Fiscal Year (FY) this Instruction is effective, every Action Office will designate at least two separate "Construction Inspection Emphasis" weeks. The purpose of each "Construction Inspection Emphasis" week is saturation of known or expected construction activity within a specific geographical area.

2. Each Area Director chooses a minimum of two separate "Construction Inspection Emphasis" weeks and gives CSHOs specified area(s) with high construction activity. The CSHOs shall stop at all construction sites within that specified area where fall hazards, overhead power line hazards, and jobsites with active scaffolds exist. The Area Director assigns all CSHOs not performing complaint and/or fatality inspections during that week. The CSHOs focus on these hazards primarily when performing construction site inspections. The CSHOs will drive to selected area(s) looking for these hazards, as well as those covered by other National, Local, and Special Emphasis Programs.
3. Each Area Director can choose the weeks for the "Construction Inspection Emphasis" as resources and construction activities dictate for their respective jurisdictions. The Area Director must use statistical data to determine where to conduct the construction inspections. The Area Office will describe the data used in each inspection identification plan.
4. Area Office inspection identification plans:
 - a. Kansas City Area Office.
 - (1) The Kansas City Area Office evaluated Calendar Year (CY) 2017 and 2018 construction inspection data from the OSHA Information System (OIS) database. In CY 2018, Kansas City Area Office conducted 110 construction inspections resulting in 1,070 employees removed from hazards in Jackson County, and 105 construction inspections with 530 employees removed from hazards in Clay County. In CY 2017, Kansas City Area Office conducted 108 construction inspections resulting in 1,100 employees removed from hazards in Jackson County, and 105 construction inspections, resulting in 527 employees removed from hazards in Clay County. Jackson and Clay Counties are consistently the localities where the Kansas City Area Office conducts the most construction inspections. Therefore, the Kansas City Area Office identified these two counties for the geographical emphasis construction inspections.
 - (2) Relative to geographical emphasis construction inspection dates, Kansas City Area Office will conduct emphasis on construction inspections during high construction seasons, which tend to occur between March and October. The Area Director will select when a "construction emphasis week" will occur and begin inspection activity on the following Monday for five straight working days.
 - (3) The Area Director will select one of two counties for the first week of construction inspections and the other county for the second week. Once the Kansas City Area Office

selects a county, it will divide that county into grids demarcated by major roads and streets. The Area Director will use grids to assign areas to CSHOs, preventing overlap and multiple inspections of the same jobsite. The CSHOs will drive major roads looking for active construction sites. Major roads are roads and streets, which contain commercial business activity and might have mixed commercial and residential sections. If a CSHO sees an active construction site from or along the roads where fall hazards, overhead power line hazards, and jobsites with active scaffolds exist or observe hazards covered by other National, Local, and Special Emphasis Programs, they will conduct inspections within the scope of the FOM and other appropriate directives.

- (4) Only complaint, referral, fatality, and catastrophe inspections will take precedence during respective emphasis weeks as per the FOM. Otherwise, the Area Director will assign all CSHOs to construction emphasis inspections of construction sites. CSHOs will expand unprogrammed inspections of construction sites to include issues addressed by this program.

b. Omaha Area Office.

- (1) The Omaha Area Office evaluated Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 construction inspection data from the OIS database. The data clearly shows that Omaha, NE/ Douglas County/Sarpy County had the most construction inspections in that time (138). Using the same timeframe and construction inspection data from the OIS database, the Omaha Area Office found that construction inspections in Lancaster County, which includes Lincoln, totaled 14. The Omaha Area Office has identified these three counties for geographical emphasis construction inspections. The Omaha Area Office performed 152 construction inspections in FY 2019 resulting in 94.4% of those inspection having serious, willful, or repeat violations. The average violation per construction inspection in FY 2019 was 2.48. In the state of Nebraska, during FY 2019, the Omaha Area Office issued 156 violations addressing fall protection hazards and 33 violations addressing scaffolding related hazards in the construction industry, removing 530 employees from fall hazards. In that same period in the state of Nebraska, the Omaha Area Office issued 63 violations addressing ladder hazards in the construction industry, removing 203 employees from fall hazards.

- (2) Relative to dates of geographical emphasis construction inspections, construction inspection data from FY 2013 through May 2019 indicated the largest number of construction fatality inspections occurred during the months of April through September. To make best use of Omaha CSHO resources and limit “temporarily stopping work” avoidance behavior of some construction contractors, the Omaha Area Office will define “week” as any seven or eight consecutive calendar days which encompass five business days, i.e., Sunday through Saturday, Wednesday through Tuesday, etc. Relative to the method of "emphasis", major streets in cities of Omaha, La Vista, Papillion, Bellevue, and Lincoln form a natural grid, which delineate areas for emphasis construction inspections. Major streets are roads and streets containing commercial business activity and may have mixed commercial and residential sections. If a CSHO sees an active construction site from a road, with existing fall hazards, overhead power lines, active scaffold, or other observed hazards covered by other National, Local, and Special Emphasis Programs, they will conduct the inspections within the scope of the FOM and other appropriate directives.
- (3) During the Douglas/Sarpy County week, the CSHOs or teams of CSHOs will drive through each grid established by east/west major streets, e.g. Harrison Street, “Q” Street, West Center Road, etc., and the north/south streets, e.g. 204th , 192nd , 180th , 168th, etc. If they observe construction sites within that specified area where fall hazards, overhead power line hazards and jobsites with active scaffolds exist or observe hazards covered by other National, Local, and Special Emphasis Programs, they will conduct inspections within the scope of the FOM and other appropriate directives. The CSHOs will coordinate with the Omaha Area Office to ensure coverage of established grid areas. The intent is to complete travel of all grids by the end of the week.
- (4) During the Lancaster County week, the CSHOs or teams of CSHOs will drive through each grid established by the east/west major streets, e.g. Hallam Road, Sprauge Road, Saltillo Road, Waverly Road, Davey Road, Superior Street etc., and the north/south streets, e.g. W100th , W12th, 14th, 162nd , etc. When observing construction sites within that specified area where fall hazards, overhead power line hazards and jobsites with active scaffolds exist or observe hazards covered by other National, Local, and Special

Emphasis Programs, they will conduct inspections within the scope of the FOM and other appropriate directives. The CSHOs will coordinate with the Omaha Office so that a CSHO travels each grid. The intent is to complete travel of all grids by the end of the week.

- (5) Only complaint, referral, fatality, and catastrophe inspections will take precedence during the respective emphasis weeks as per the FOM. Otherwise, the Area Director will assign all CSHOs to construction emphasis inspections during the respective weeks. Unprogrammed inspections of construction sites will include issues addressed by this program.

c. St. Louis Area Office.

- (1) The St. Louis Area Office evaluated resulting inspection data for this REP using the OIS database. The data range was October 1, 2018 through April 4, 2019. There were two inspections performed within the limits of St. Louis, 11 inspections performed in St. Louis County, and 24 inspections performed in St. Charles County. The St. Louis Area Office conducted 13 inspections elsewhere. The data shows that St. Louis City, St. Louis County, and St. Charles County had the most construction inspections during this timeframe. During this period the office issued, 66 Serious, Willful, or Repeat violations, removing 124 employees from fall and electrical hazards. During FY 2018, St. Louis Area Office performed 259 inspections under this Regional Local Emphasis Program, removing 1,833 employees from fall and electrical hazards in construction. Cumulatively, 93.9 % of all violations found during these inspections were of a Serious, Willful, or Repeat nature. Relative to dates of geographical emphasis construction inspections, construction inspection data from the OIS database indicate the largest number of construction inspections occurred during the months of April, May, June, July, and August. The Area Director selects when a "construction emphasis week" will occur and inspection activity will begin on the following Monday for five straight working days.
- (2) The St. Louis Area Office obtained data from the following website: <https://www.shnugi.com/2016/09/11/mapping-average-house-age-county/> to determine the number of homes built between 1990 and 2009. St. Charles County, 50,896, St. Louis County 39,878 and Jefferson County 22,996 led Eastern Missouri Counties in number of homes built during this timeframe. If the average life span of a roof is 20-25 years, Saint Louis Area Office estimates that

the above-mentioned counties will see a high probability of fall hazards during roofing activities.

- (3) This REP utilizes maps of St. Louis County, the City of St. Louis, St. Charles County, and Jefferson County. Each map is broken up into an even number of sectors, each approximately the same physical dimensions with major roadway/streets acting as boundaries.
- (4) After the maps are broken up into sectors as described above, the Area Office will number sequentially the sectors in each county/city, beginning with number one, until all sectors are numbered.
- (5) After sector numbering, the Area Office shall follow procedures and the site randomization protocols outlined in the November 12, 2014, OSHA Memorandum: Establishment – Targeting Lists for Emphasis Programs. The Area Office will select subsequent cycles in the same manner. Each county/city the Area Office inspects has a set of inspection cycles independent of cycles developed for other counties/city.
- (6) The Area Office will search each sector as it comes up on a cycle for active construction sites in which scaffold, fall, or overhead power line hazards may be present. The Area Office will accomplish this by driving down every road within the sector. An inspection will be conducted at each active construction site observed meeting criteria prescribed in this paragraph. The Area Office may search sector sections in any order that efficiently uses Area Office resources. Once a cycle of a sector has begun, the Area Office shall complete the search before beginning a new cycle of a sector.
- (7) Only complaint, referral, fatality, and catastrophe inspections will take precedent during respective emphasis weeks as per the FOM. Otherwise, the Area Director will assign all CSHOs to construction emphasis inspections during respective weeks. CSHOs will expand unprogrammed inspections of construction sites to include issues addressed by this program.

d. Wichita Area Office.

- (1) The Wichita Area Office evaluated local OIS reports to determine where most construction activity occurred. The Area Office ran FY 2019 data for the state of Kansas. Data shows two counties had the most construction activity in FY 2019. Based upon this information, the Wichita Area Office determined Johnson (103 inspections) and Sedgwick

(66 inspections) Counties are where most construction activity is taking place. In FY 2019, 103 inspections conducted under this REP in Johnson County, resulted in issuance of 152 violations, immediately removing 853 employees from hazards and positively affecting working conditions of 3,652 employees. In FY 2019, 66 inspections conducted under this REP in Sedgwick County, resulted in issuance of 112 violations immediately removing 526 employees from hazards and positively affecting the working conditions of 1,249 employees. There were approximately 331 total construction inspections conducted during FY 2019.

- (2) The Wichita Area Office will pick one of the two counties for the first week of construction inspections. Once The Wichita Area Office selects that county, the Area Office will divide the county into grids demarcated by major roads and streets. The Wichita Area Office will use grids to assign areas to CSHOs to prevent overlap and multiple inspections of jobsites. CSHOs will drive major roads looking for active construction sites. Major roads are roads and streets containing commercial business activity and may have mixed commercial and residential sections. When a compliance officer sees an active construction site from or along roads where fall hazards, overhead power line hazards, and jobsites with active scaffolds exist, or observe hazards covered by other National, Local, and Special Emphasis Programs, they will conduct the inspections within the scope of the FOM and other appropriate directives.
- (3) Only complaint, referral, fatality, and catastrophic inspections will take precedent during emphasis weeks as per the FOM. Otherwise, the Area Director will assign all CSHOs to construction emphasis inspections during respective weeks. The Wichita Area Office will expand unprogrammed inspections of construction sites to include issues addressed by this program.

e. Des Moines Area Office.

- (1) Federal contracts exclusively award construction work in the Des Moines Area Office jurisdiction. Those contracts predominantly cover work with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Defense, Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Park Service. The contracts have varying start and end dates, which may span several months to several years. Therefore, twice a year, the Des Moines Area Office will determine the presence of active contracts, stages of the contracts, and possible presence of activity

falling within the scope of this Instruction, and schedule construction emphasis based on the determination.

- (2) Once the emphasis is scheduled, and because areas are small geographically, CSHOs will drive the entire area (streets and roads) of each selected area looking for active construction sites. CSHOs observing active construction sites with fall hazards, overhead power line hazards, and active scaffolds, or observing hazards covered by other National, Local, and Special Emphasis Programs, will conduct inspections within the scope of the FOM and other appropriate directives.
- (3) Only complaint, referral, fatality, and catastrophic inspections will take precedent during the respective emphasis weeks as per the FOM. Otherwise, the Area Director will assign all CSHOs to construction emphasis inspections during respective weeks. CSHOs will expand unprogrammed inspections of construction sites to include issues addressed by this program.

F. Unprogrammed Activity. Area Offices shall schedule unprogrammed events such as fatalities, catastrophes, complaints, referrals, and follow-up inspections in accordance with procedures in the FOM. Offices will pursue warrants in accordance with the FOM.

G. Informal Follow-up Site Visit.

1. Definitions.

- a. Follow-up Site Visit. The primary purpose is to ensure correction of previously cited violations. When serious violations and/or hazards are observed during the initial inspection, the Area Director may assign a CSHO to return to the site to determine if hazards still exist, are on-going, or if employees continue to be exposed to hazards
- c. General Construction Activities. Includes all construction activities not defined as residential construction
- d. Residential Construction. The Agency's interpretation of "residential construction" for purposes of 1926.501(b)(13) combines two elements – both of which must be satisfied for a project to fall under that provision: (1) the end-use of the structure being built must be as a home, i.e., a dwelling; and (2) the structure being built must be constructed using traditional wood frame construction materials and methods, although the limited use of structural steel in a predominantly wood-framed home, such as a steel I-beam to help support wood framing, does not disqualify a structure from being considered residential construction.

(Reference: OSHA Instruction STD 03-11-002, Compliance Guidance for Residential Construction)

2. Informal follow-up inspection. An informal follow-up inspection will occur, within five (5) days of the initial inspection, to verify that employers abate all fall, overhead power line, and scaffold hazards at all sites where an Area Office opens general construction inspections if the inspection meets the following criteria:
 - a. The inspection included Falls/Overhead Power Lines/Scaffold hazards,
 - b. resulted in alleged high severity violations related to falls and overhead power lines, and
 - c. the violations are substantially similar to violations that have caused fatalities within the immediate past five calendar years (CYs) in Region VII.
3. All inspection activities pertaining to the "Follow-up Site Visit" process will be carried out as instructed in FOM.

XI. OIS Coding. Inspections conducted under this REP will be identified in OIS. Current instructions for completing the appropriate inspection classification boxes on the OIS Inspection Form will be followed:

- A. Inspections that are conducted as a result of a complaint; referral from media, police, or other Agency; accident; or fatality/catastrophe will be coded "XFALLELEC" in the Local Emphasis Program drop down menu and the appropriate unprogrammed activity selected in the Inspection Type tab. All other inspections initiated under this program, including CSHO referrals, will be marked as "Programmed Planned" under the Inspection Type tab and will include the "XFALLELEC" code on the Local Emphasis Program drop down menu.
- B. Inspections evaluated for struck by vehicle hazards should be coded "REPVEHICLE" in the Local Emphasis Program drop down menu.
- C. Area Offices shall check their OIS database on a quarterly basis to verify accuracy of data for the falls/overhead power lines program by running the appropriate Inspection Summary Report(s).
- D. Consultation programs will code forms for all consultation activities, requests, visits, and compliance assistance conducted at sites covered by this emphasis program, with "XFALLELEC" in the Local Emphasis Program field.

XII. Outreach. Area Offices conducted extensive outreach during the first two Fiscal Years (FY 1998-1999) of the program. The purpose of outreach was to encourage voluntary compliance by employers and employees, to increase quality of referrals made from community on fall hazards, and to increase awareness on protection from electrocution from overhead power lines. Offices were encouraged to seek opportunities for training and outreach in the community (among other public groups, private industry, insurance companies, labor unions, associations, etc.). Area Offices will continue to make available outreach programs that support the purpose of this REP to reduce injuries and

deaths resulting from falls, scaffolds, and electrocutions from overhead power lines in the construction industry. As an additional resource for achieving compliance, employers will be encouraged to utilize the 21(d) Consultation Program.

XIII. Program Report. No later than midway through the life of the program and completion of the program, the Area Office will provide a program report of this REP to the Regional Office. At a minimum, the report should respond to the requirements of CPL 04-00-002, Section VIII, E.