

AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE

BETWEEN

**THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH
ADMINISTRATION**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

KANSAS CITY AND ST. LOUIS, MO AREA OFFICES

AND

**THE GREATER OZARKS CHAPTER OF ACADEMY OF
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGERS**

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and The Greater Ozarks Chapter of Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers (GOCACHMM) recognize the value of establishing a collaborative relationship to foster safer and more healthful American workplaces. OSHA and the GOCACHMM hereby form an Alliance to provide members and others with information, guidance, and access to training resources. Through the Alliance, the organizations will work to improve health and safety in the workplace by helping businesses, small businesses in particular, in their efforts to implement effective safety and health management systems.

OSHA and GOCACHMM will work together to achieve the following training and education goals:

- Develop and deliver training and education programs regarding comprehensive safety and health management systems along with a fundamental understanding of to how to implement such a management system. These programs will be developed primarily to assist small businesses.
- Develop training and education programs for both members and nonmembers of GOCACHMM, to assist employers, especially small business owners, in their efforts to comply with occupational health and safety standards.

OSHA and GOCACHMM will also work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goals:

- Develop and disseminate information, including information on safety and health management systems, through print and electronic media, including electronic assistance tools and links from OSHA's and GOCACHMM's Web sites.
- Speak, exhibit, or appear at the annual GOCACHMM Safety & Health Conference of the Ozarks, local meetings, or other events such as the annual GOCACHMM awards ceremony to promote awareness of an effective safety and health management system.

- Promote and encourage GOCACHMM member's participation in OSHA's cooperative programs such as compliance assistance, the Voluntary Protection Programs (VPP), Consultation and its Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP).

OSHA's Alliances provide parties an opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with OSHA for purposes such as training and education, outreach and communication and promoting a national dialogue on workplace safety and health. These Alliances have proved to be valuable tools for both OSHA and its Alliance participants. By entering into an Alliance with a party, OSHA is not endorsing any of that party's products or services; nor does the Agency enter into an Alliance with the purpose of promoting a particular party's products or services.

An implementation team made up of representatives of both organizations will meet to develop a plan of action, determine working procedures, and identify the roles and responsibilities of the participants. In addition, they will meet at least quarterly to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the Alliance. Team members will include representatives from OSHA's Kansas City and St. Louis Area Offices and GOCACHMM. OSHA will encourage State Plan States' and OSHA Consultation Projects' participation on the team.

This agreement will remain in effect for two years from the date of signing. Any signatory may terminate the agreement for any reason at any time, provided they give 30 days written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the concurrence of both signatories.

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