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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board

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Approved 5/18/11

Hoisting Machine Operator's Advisory Board Minutes
Wednesday, April 13, 2011
1:30 p.m.
Department of Labor & Industrial Relations Office
HIOSH Training Room
830 Punchbowl Street #425
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: Tom Vendetta, Ed Sanchez, Jim Weander, Joaquin Diaz and Lora Contreras.

Guests: Audrey Hidano, DLIR Deputy Administrator; Jennifer Shishido, DLIR HIOSH Administrator.

Call to order

Chair Vendetta established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

Minutes of March 16, 2011

Joaquin Diaz moved, seconded by Ed Sanchez to approve the minutes as circulated. Minutes approved.

Director's Report

HIOSH Compliance Branch Report

No citations issued this month. Chair Vendetta asked about crane operator accident statistics and if HIOSH kept a public database. Discussion ensued on whether or not the board would be able to start a database on accidents. Ms. Shishido will check with the AG's office.

New Business - Federal OSHA Guidelines

The Board continued discussions on whether or not to amend the existing rules to meet the Federal Standards or recommend that Chapter 12-48 be deleted in its entirety.

Ms. Shishido explained that HIOSH intends to adopt the federal rules with minor changes but is still expected to adopt the Federal Rules within the next 5 months.

Chair Vendetta confirmed the HMOAB admin rules for Hawaii certification will remain in place until the new federal guidelines amendments are completed and adopted.

HIOSH will provide to the Board proposed language adopting the Federal Standards, including any changes or additions for Hawaii. These changes will help the Board decide on amendments to the existing rules governing Hawaii operator certification. The Board intends to revise Chapter 48 to be compatible with the proposed HIOSH rules (Federal Standards) and will participate in public hearings with HIOSH prior to adopting the changes.

Community Concerns

None

Announcements

Next board meeting – Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 1:30 p.m.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Meeting adjourned at 3:14 p.m.