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Council of Industry and OSHA

Form Alliance

At a signing ceremony on Wednesday, July 16, the Council of Industry of Southeastern New York formed an alliance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to help its members develop and implement safety management programs.

The Council of Industry has been the manufacturing association for the Hudson Valley since 1910. As a privately funded, not-for-profit organization, one of its top priorities is to encourage a safer and healthier workplace for its member companies. To assist in

achieving this goal, the Council's Board of Directors voted to establish this alliance with OSHA.

The purpose of this alliance is to provide members of the Council of Industry with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect employees' health and safety, particularly in addressing effective safety and health management systems. The alliance will provide Council members the opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with OSHA for the purposes of training and education, outreach and communication and promoting a national dialogue on workplace safety and health.

"Our members understand the importance of a safe workplace," said Harold King, Executive Vice President of the Council of Industry. "It is good for the company, good for workers and, by extension, good for the community. For years we have had a cooperative relationship with OSHA. This alliance cements that relationship."

Mr. King signed the alliance along with Lou Ricca, the acting OSHA Region II Deputy Regional Administrator, Diana Cortez, the Area Director from the OSHA Tarrytown Area Office, and Ed Jerome, the Albany Area Director for OSHA.

According to Ms. Cortez and Mr. Jerome this is the first such alliance signed with a manufacturing association in the Hudson Valley, previously the OSHA alliances have focused on the construction industry.

This alliance will prove to be a valuable tool for Council of Industry members as it brings them more resources to ensure a safe workplace for their employees.

For more information about the Council of Industry, please visit their website www.councilofindustry.org or for information about OSHA visit their website at www.osha.gov.

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