

# AGREEMENT RENEWING ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE

### **BETWEEN**

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor Raleigh Area Office,

The Department of the Navy
Fleet Readiness Center East (FRC East)
And

The International Association of Machinist and Aerospace Workers, American Federation of Government Employees, and National Association of Aeronautical Examiners unions

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Area Office in Raleigh, North Carolina (Raleigh Area Office); the Department of the Navy – Fleet Readiness Center East (FRC East) located at the Marine Corp Air Station (MCAS) Cherry Point, North Carolina; the International Association of Machinist and Aerospace Workers (IAMAW); the American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE); and the National Association of Aeronautical Examiners (NAAE) unions (hereafter referred to as the FRC East Alliance) continue to recognize the value of maintaining a collaborative relationship to foster safer and more healthful American workplaces. To that end, OSHA and the FRC East Alliance (the Participants) hereby renew the Alliance signed December 4, 2013, with a continued emphasis on providing union members and others with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect the health and safety of workers and to understand the rights of workers and the responsibilities of employers under the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSH Act). Through the Alliance, the organizations will continue to focus on the reducing and preventing worker exposure to prevalent aircraft maintenance hazards and heat illnesses, as well as hazards unique to the Navy aircraft maintenance environment.

This renewal agreement provides a framework and objectives for the Alliance's activities. Alliance participants may summarize specific activities and timeframes for completion in a written work plan.

Through the Alliance, the organizations will use relevant injury, illness, and hazard exposure data when appropriate to help identify areas of emphasis for Alliance awareness, outreach, and communication activities. The Alliance will also explore and implement selected options to evaluate the effectiveness of the Alliance and measure the impact of its overall effort on improving workplace safety for employers and workers. In renewing this Alliance, OSHA and the FRC East Alliance recognize that OSHA's State Plan and On-site Consultation Project partners are an integral part of the OSHA national effort, and that information about the products and activities of the Alliance may be shared with these partners for the advancement of common goals.

## Raising Awareness of OSHA's Rulemaking and Enforcement Initiatives

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following goal related to raising awareness of OSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives:

• To encourage worker participation in workplace safety and health by appointing both management and non-management representatives to the North Carolina Field Federal Safety and Health Council (FFSHC).

## **Training and Education**

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following training and education goals:

- To develop effective training and education programs for employers and employees regarding prevalent workplace hazards in the aircraft maintenance industry and communicating such information to employers and employees.
- To develop effective training and education programs for employers and employees regarding the prevention of heat-related illnesses in the workplace and communicating such information to employers and employees.
- To deliver or arrange for the delivery of safety and health training focused on prevalent workplace hazards in the aircraft maintenance industry.

#### **Outreach and Communication**



The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goals:

- To develop information on the recognition and prevention of workplace hazards, and to develop ways of communicating such information (e.g. print and electronic media, electronic assistance tools, and OSHA's and the FRC East's websites) to employers and employees, as well as others in the industry.
- To share information among OSHA personnel and industry safety and health professionals regarding the FRC East's good practices or effective approaches through training programs, workshops, seminars, and lectures (or any other applicable forum) developed by the Participants.

OSHA's Alliances provide parties an opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with OSHA for purposes such as raising awareness of OSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives, training and education, and outreach and communication. These Alliances are valuable tools for both OSHA and its Alliance participants. By entering into an Alliance with a party, OSHA is not endorsing or promoting, nor does it intend to endorse or promote, any of that party's products or services.

An implementation team (team) made up of representatives of each organization will meet to develop a plan of action, determine working procedures, and identify the roles and responsibilities of the Participants. In addition, the team will meet at least two times per year to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the Alliance. OSHA team members will include representatives of the OSHA Raleigh Area Office and any other appropriate offices. OSHA will encourage the North Carolina State Plan and OSHA Onsite Consultation Project to participate on the team.

This agreement will remain in effect for three years. Any signatory may terminate this agreement for any reason at any time, provided it gives 30 days written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the written concurrence of all signatories.



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