Cal/OSHA Announces May 9 Advisory Committee Meeting to Evaluate Electronic Submission of Workplace Injury and Illness Records

Oakland—Cal/OSHA has scheduled an advisory committee meeting on the electronic submission of injury and illness records. The public meeting will be held on Thursday, May 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Elihu Harris Building, 1515 Clay Street Suite 1304, Oakland.

On January 25, federal OSHA published a final rule to amend its recordkeeping regulation by rescinding the requirement for establishments with 250 or more employees to electronically submit information from OSHA Forms 300 and 301. Cal/OSHA has determined that by rescinding the requirement to electronically submit Forms 300 and 301 data, OSHA has substantially diminished the requirements that were originally set forth in OSHA’s May 12, 2016, "Improve Tracking of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses" rule.

Pursuant to California Labor Code section 6410.2(b), Cal/OSHA has scheduled this advisory committee meeting to evaluate how to implement the changes necessary to protect the goals of the Improve Tracking of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses rule.

Information on the advisory committee meeting has been posted online. Members of the public are invited to email their written comments ElectronicReporting@dir.ca.gov. The comment period is open until 5 p.m. on Friday, May 24.

The California Division of Occupational Safety and Health, or Cal/OSHA, is the division within the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) that helps protect California’s workers from health and safety hazards on the job in almost every workplace.

Cal/OSHA’s Consultation Services Branch provides free and voluntary assistance to employers to improve their safety and health programs. Employers should call (800) 963-9424 for assistance from Cal/OSHA Consultation Services.
Employees with work-related questions or complaints may contact DIR’s Call Center in English or Spanish at 844-LABOR-DIR (844-522-6734). Complaints can also be filed confidentially with Cal/OSHA district offices.

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