

Memorandum

To : Debra Cornez, Director
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Date : January 22, 2016

From : **Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board**
Marley Hart, Executive Officer

Subject : Exception for Portable Power-Driven Circular Saw Blade Guarding (Horcher)

Labor Code Section 142.3(a)(2) requires the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board (Board) to adopt standards at least as effective as federal standards for all issues for which federal standards have been promulgated under Section 6 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

As required by Labor Code Section 142.3(a)(3), Section 4307 was adopted by the Standards Board and is substantially the same as the Federal OSHA final rule. Pursuant to that section of the Labor Code, Board staff is submitting this rulemaking action to the Office of Administrative Law for filing with the Secretary of State to be effective upon filing with the Secretary of State. Since your agency is not required to review this rulemaking, the Board would appreciate an expeditious filing in order to afford California workers equivalent protection on this matter of national safety and health concern.

Attached are seven copies of the STD 400 with the standard attached. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 274-5721.

Attachment