

**OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY
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Date: April 8, 2016

Dear: Advisory Committee Member

Subject: Proposed Amendments for Title 8, California Code of Regulations, Construction Safety Orders, Section 1695, Industrial Painter Certification.

You are invited to participate in an advisory committee to be convened by the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board staff. The advisory committee will consider proposed amendments to Section 1695, regarding the certification of industrial painters in accordance with the Society for Protective Coatings (SSPC) and the National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE)'s SSPC-ACS-1/NACE 13 standard.

The deterioration of America's aging infrastructure costs the United States \$276 billion per year, according to a 2002 study released by the Federal Highway Association. The primary defense against corrosion involves the application of protective coatings to steel and concrete surfaces, which is done by members of the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT) and other painters throughout California. Employees working in the field of industrial paints and coatings experience numerous health effects, including cancer, respiratory diseases, lead poisoning, and brain degeneration. The purpose of the committee will be to discuss the necessity for creating a Title 8 regulation to mandate that such work be performed only by Corrosion Application Specialists, certified in accordance with the NACE and SSPC joint standard. If the committee determines that a regulation is necessary, the attached draft proposal will serve as a starting point for the development of the subject regulation.

The advisory committee will be held at the following time and location (please park in the back lot):

Wednesday, May 11, 2016, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (or until adjournment)
Division of Occupational Safety and Health
2424 Arden Way
Suite 450 (Multipurpose Room)
Sacramento, CA 95825

Enclosed are the agenda, advisory committee roster, and draft proposal. The advisory committee is convened as the result of the Board decision resulting from Petition 550, which can be viewed here: http://www.dir.ca.gov/oshsb/petition_550.html. The committee will focus on the items listed in the Petition decision, as adopted by the Board.

Please be prepared to discuss any costs or economic impact to employers or affected industries that may result from the proposed standard. If you cannot attend the meeting, please send an

alternate, if possible, or submit your written comments by May 6, 2016 so that the committee can consider them.

Your assistance is appreciated, and we look forward to seeing you at the advisory committee meeting. If you have any questions or would like to discuss any items prior to the meeting, please contact me at (916) 274-5730, or at dkernazitskas@dir.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Attachments:

Agenda
Advisory Committee Roster
Regulatory text (draft proposal)

cc: All Standards Board Members

Marley Hart, Executive Officer, OSHSB
Michael Manieri, Principal Engineer, OSHSB
Juliann Sum, Chief, DOSH
Eric Berg, Deputy Chief of Health, DOSH Research & Standards Unit
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