



Construction Workplace Health and Safety Innovation Award 2010

Name of Company/Individual (applicant): _____

Worksite location of Innovation (city/town): _____

Company President or CEO: _____ Title: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone/Fax/Email: _____

Application submitted by: _____ Position: _____

Mailing address of person submitting: _____

Phone/Fax/Email of person submitting: _____

Name of recipient as it should be inscribed on the award if received: _____

Industry Sector	<input type="checkbox"/> General Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> Trade Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer <input type="checkbox"/> Supplier
Name of Innovation	
Brief Description of Innovation	<p><i>Submissions must clearly address and identify in their brief description of the innovation the following;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why is this program, process, or technique unique or innovative? • What barriers had to be overcome? • How does the innovation reduce workplace risks? • Is the information current? • Does the innovation translate new ideas into practice? Explain. <p>Submissions not addressing these criteria may be returned for further attention</p>



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Application, Guidelines and Procedures

Background

WorkSafeBC is proud to play a supporting role in partnership with the Vancouver Regional Construction Association in the creation of an Award for Construction Health and Safety Innovation.

The Award for Construction Health and Safety Innovation was initiated in 2006 and is administered in an industry-led initiative by the Vancouver Regional Construction Association.

This award recognizes all types of health and safety innovations, including the management of workplace impairment issues, planning for safety at the design stage of projects, engineering controls that replace personal protective equipment, as well as innovative tools and other programs such as Return to Work or techniques that help prevent workplace incidents, injuries and illness.

These innovations only need to be modest and come from the construction industry.

For example:

Stuart Olson Constructors Inc. came up with the idea of a Heavy Duty Roller System, that implemented a safe way to remove sediment from a hopper to dispose of safely.

For the purpose of these awards, innovation is defined as “a new, forward-thinking or new-to-B.C.” idea implemented to create a safer,

healthier work environment, which is unique in nature and stands apart from what is routine in the industry.

Objectives

The objective of the workplace health and safety innovation award is to:

- Acknowledge individuals, organizations, and companies for their efforts in the prevention of workplace incidents, injuries, and illnesses.
- Encourage individuals, organizations, and companies to implement programs, policies, or projects that improve the health and safety of British Columbia’s workers and share them with industry.

Innovation Award

Three entries will be recognized as silver award winners, one of which will be presented with the gold award on the evening of the event.

Workplace Health and Safety Innovation

Award: Recognition of an innovative program, policy, tool, or project that demonstrates a proven accomplishment in the area of health and safety for the construction industry sector.

Refer to the criteria table to see how your project will be judged.

Judges may contact applicants for more information about the project.

Eligibility

All British Columbia's general contractors, contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and individuals are eligible for the Annual Awards for Innovation in Workplace Health and Safety for Construction. The applicant must be registered and in good standing with WorkSafeBC. The innovations must be in compliance with the British Columbia Occupational Health and Safety Regulation, *Workers Compensation Act*, Standards, and Building Code. Safety supply companies are excluded.

Application Deadline

Applications must be submitted before the close of business on August 27, 2010. Applications received after this date will not be eligible.

Application Process

Any person may nominate a company who has contributed to a workplace health and safety innovation.

WorkSafeBC Occupational Safety Officers may nominate companies with innovative Health and Safety processes/programs for these awards.

Applications must be made in writing to the VRCA and include:

- A completed application form. (Information must be provided for all criteria listed on the application form.)
- Each criterion must be addressed individually and in the same order as listed on the application form.

Checklist

Before you submit your application please check that you have:

- Completed and enclosed the entry form.
- Typed the submission addressing all criteria outlined.
- Included relevant diagrams, sketches, videos, photographs, CDs, or binders.
- Copied the submission for your records.

Submissions

Submissions become the property of VRCA and will not be returned.

The decisions of the judges are final and binding.

Vancouver Regional Construction Association reserves the right to publish submission details, in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPP) Act*, and may request finalists to appear for publicity reasons, including attendance at an awards ceremony.

Vancouver Regional Construction Association's staff and panel of judges must be allowed to visit the workplace to verify the entry.

Submit your entry by Mail, Fax or E-mail to:

VRCA Award for Construction Workplace Health and Safety Innovation

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Vancouver Regional Construction Association

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