



Oregon SHARP Alliance

FOR THE BETTERMENT OF ALL OREGON WORKERS

Attention new SHARP participant:

As the current Chairperson of the Oregon SHARP Alliance, I want to take this opportunity, to offer my personal congratulations to you, your company and your employees on your approval into the Oregon Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP). Your commitment to your employees' safety and health demonstrates your desire to make Oregon a safer place to work.

Because you have achieved SHARP status, the Oregon SHARP Alliance is awarding your company with an honorary membership in the Alliance for the remainder of this calendar year! I want to invite you to continue as a Full Member of the Oregon SHARP Alliance. Membership in the SHARP Alliance can provide your company with valuable mentoring and networking opportunities with other SHARP and VPP companies.

The Oregon SHARP Alliance is a non-profit organization whose mission is: to promote safety and health management and cooperation among companies and government for the betterment of all Oregon workers. The reverse side of this letter contains a Fact Sheet with more detail about the mission of the Alliance and some of the benefits available to members.

Because of Oregon's confidentiality requirements, Oregon-OSHA cannot share your contact information with the Oregon SHARP Alliance. They have agreed to forward this introductory letter to your company because they value the Alliance as a partner in safety and health. If you are interested in joining the Alliance, you must contact us.

You can find more information on the Oregon SHARP Alliance on our web page at <http://www.sharpalliance.org/> or feel free to either call me at (541) 679-2133 or e-mail me at ronr@rfpco.com

Join us as we work with Oregon OSHA to advance and improve workplace safety and health in Oregon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Richardson", is written over a white rectangular background.

Ron Richardson, Chairperson
Oregon SHARP Alliance

In an effort to encourage continuous improvement and self-sufficiency in workplace safety and health, SHARP participants and other interested parties formed the Oregon SHARP Alliance in September of 2000.

The Oregon SHARP Alliance is a non-profit organization comprised of Oregon employers who currently hold SHARP status (Full Members), companies interested in becoming SHARP certified, and others interested in the promotion of safety and health in the workplace (Associate Members).

The Oregon SHARP Alliance's mission is to promote safety and health management with Oregon employers, while strengthening relationships with Oregon OSHA (OR-OSHA). The SHARP Alliance is an advocate for improvement in occupational safety and health, for a positive relationship with Oregon OSHA and for continuous growth of the SHARP program.

Benefits to Oregon SHARP Alliance members include:

- Continuous improvement and support of your organization's safety and health effort.
- Networking opportunities with your peers. Share your ideas and learn new techniques to manage safety and health in your workplace.
- Mentoring opportunities with other companies interested in improving workplace safety and health management.
- Quarterly meetings in locations throughout the state. Meetings include training sessions on topics of interest to Alliance members.
- Recognition for your organization's safety and health efforts.
- Input to OR-OSHA on activities, rules and strategic plans.
- Discount pricing on safety supplies from certain providers.
- Being an advocate and resource to organizations that desire SHARP status.

Membership is open to any individual or company who shares the mission and goals of the Oregon SHARP Alliance. For more information on the Oregon SHARP Alliance, go to our web page at <http://www.sharpalliance.org/>.

You can also contact any of the SHARP Alliance Operating Committee at the numbers or e-mails provided in the CONTACT link from the web site.