



Illinois Chapter

MERIT UPDATE

MAY 3, 2010

LEAD SAFE: RENOVATION REPAIR AND PAINTING REQUIREMENT

THREE WEEKS AGO, ABCIL HOSTED A CONFERENCE CALL IN WHICH WE DISCUSSED THE NEW EPA REQUIREMENT THAT ALL CONTRACTORS THAT WORK ON PRE-1978 HOMES AND DISTURBS MORE THAN 6 SQUARE FEET OF PAINT INTERIOR OR 20 SQUARE FEET OF PAINT EXTERIOR OR ENGAGE IN WINDOW REPLACEMENTS MUST BE CERTIFIED RENOVATORS BY APRIL 22, 2010. THIS INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO RENOVATORS, REMODELERS, PLUMBERS, PAINTERS, ELECTRICIANS, WINDOW & DOOR CONTRACTORS, LANDLORDS AND SOME BUILDING ENGINEERS.

IN AN EFFORT TO HELP OUR MEMBERS GET THIS CERTIFICATION, ABCIL IS OFFERING A CERTIFICATION CLASS IN OUR ELK GROVE VILLAGE TRAINING FACILITY ON MAY 10TH STARTING AT 8:00 A.M. THE COST WILL BE \$240/PERSON WHICH WILL INCLUDE YOUR CERTIFICATION, A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH. YOUR REGISTRATION AND FEE MUST BE COMPLETE BY MAY 7TH TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS COURSE.

WALK-IN'S WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!!!

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT STEVE AT (847) 709-2960 OR BY EMAIL AT FOLTIN@ABCIL.ORG. TO REGISTER PLEASE CONTACT KARI AT (217) 523-4692, BY EMAIL AT KARI@ABCIL.ORG OR BY FAXING BACK YOUR REGISTRATION TO (217) 523-4752.

WE ARE WORKING WITH THE INSTRUCTORS OF THIS CERTIFICATION TO GET A CLASS SET UP IN THE SPRINGFIELD AREA AS WELL. IF YOU NEED TO BE CERTIFIED IMMEDIATELY, PLEASE REGISTER FOR THE ELK GROV VILLAGE CLASS. PLEASE BE SURE TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE MERIT UPDATE AND YOUR EMAILS FOR ANY FUTURE DATES AND TIMES.

MAY NETWORKING BREAKFAST

PLEASE JOIN US THURSDAY MAY 20TH AT 8:00 AM FOR A BREAKFAST NETWORKING EVENT! THE EVENT WILL BE HELD AT THE ABCIL ELK GROVE OFFICE . THIS EVENT WILL BE PRESENTED BY CANDOS AGENCY AND WILL COVER THE FOLLOWING:

- ◆ HOW WILL HEALTHCARE REFORM AFFECT MY BUSINESS?
- ◆ WILL CONGRESS' ACTION FURTHER INCREASE MY COSTS?
- ◆ WHAT CAN I DO TO CONTROL COSTS TODAY AND IN THE FUTURE?
- ◆ AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE NEW SMALL EMPLOYER CREDITS OF UP TO 35% (THIS ALONE MAKES THIS EVENT WORTHWHILE!)

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER, PLEASE CONTACT LISA AT 847-709-2960 OR EMAIL HER AT LISA@ABCIL.ORG

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ABCIL DINNER CRUISE

GRAB YOUR SPOUSE OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER AND COME SET SAIL WITH US ON THE BEAUTIFUL MYSTIC BLUE SHIP ON THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2010.

BOARD TIME IS SET FOR 6:00 P.M. AND WE WILL LEAVE THE DOCKS BY 6:30. THE SHIP SHOULD BE DOCKING AROUND 8:30.

THE COST IS \$75/PERSON WHICH INCLUDES: THE CRUISE, BUFFET DINNER, OPEN BAR, INTERACTIVE DJ, AND A SPECTACULAR OUTSIDE DECK SPACE.

CONTACT LISA AT 847-709-2960 WITH QUESTIONS. KEEP WATCHING THE MERIT UPDATE FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THIS EXCITING EVENT!

ABC MEMBER HELPS STRIKE DOWN DISCRIMINATORY APPRENTICE WAGE PRACTICE

ABC SOUTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER MEMBER, THE TRI-M GROUP, LLC, KENNETT SQUARE, PA., APRIL 14 WON A LEGAL CHALLENGE AGAINST THE DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (DDOL) FOR DISCRIMINATING AGAINST OUT-OF-STATE CONTRACTORS BY NOT RECOGNIZING THEIR REGISTERED APPRENTICES UNDER THE STATE'S PREVAILING WAGE LAW.

WITH THE HELP OF ABC'S SOUTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER AND ABC'S CONSTRUCTION LEGAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION, TRI-M FILED A LAW SUIT CLAIMING DDOL WAS IN VIOLATION OF THE COMMERCE CLAUSE OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION. THE COMMERCE CLAUSE PROHIBITS STATES FROM UNJUSTIFIABLY DISCRIMINATING AGAINST OR BURDENING INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

"TRI-M IS VERY PLEASED WITH THE OUTCOME OF THIS CASE," SAID JIM HORN, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF TRI-M. "THIS PRECEDENT-SETTING DECISION WILL HELP MAINTAIN FREE AND OPEN COMPETITION AMONG THE STATES."

TRI-M, A PENNSYLVANIA-BASED ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR THAT MAINTAINS A REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM IN PENNSYLVANIA, BEGAN WORKING ON A PROJECT IN 2005 IN DELAWARE AND EMPLOYED ITS OWN APPRENTICES, PAYING THEM ACCORDING TO DELAWARE PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS. AFTER A VISIT FROM A SITE INSPECTOR, DDOL CITED TRI-M FOR BEING IN VIOLATION OF ITS PREVAILING WAGE LAW BECAUSE ITS APPRENTICES WERE NOT REGISTERED UNDER THE DELAWARE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM.

AFTER PERFORMING A SELF-AUDIT AND PAYING CERTAIN APPRENTICES BACK WAGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DISCRIMINATORY DDOL REGULATION, TRI-M SUED DDOL CLAIMING THAT THE PREVAILING WAGE LAW AND THE DDOL APPRENTICESHIP REGULATIONS ALLOW IN-STATE CONTRACTORS ON PUBLIC PROJECTS TO PAY REDUCED WAGES TO THEIR APPRENTICES WHILE DENYING OUT-OF-STATE CONTRACTORS THAT SAME RIGHT.

THE COURT RULED THAT SINCE DELAWARE'S APPRENTICESHIP RULES CONTAIN A SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT FOR AN IN-STATE PRESENCE BY A COMPANY, THEY CREATE A BIAS AGAINST OUT-OF-STATE CONTRACTORS. IN A PRECEDENT SETTING DECISION, THE JUDGE RULED IN FAVOR OF TRI-M AND ORDERED THAT DDOL CHANGE ITS APPRENTICESHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR OUT-OF-STATE CONTRACTORS.

SOURCE: ABC NEWSLINE



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2010-2011 DIRECTORY AD CONTRACTS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADVERTISE YOUR COMPANY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ILLINOIS FOR A SMALL AMOUNT OF MONEY? IF SO, YOU MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER PLACING AN AD IN THIS YEARS 2010-2011 ABCIL DIRECTORY. AD SIZES VARY AND CAN BE EITHER FULL COLOR OR IN BLACK AND WHITE. PLEASE CONTACT LISA AT 847-709-2960 OR EMAIL HER AT LISA@ABCIL.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION.

DON'T DELAY, THE AD SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS MAY 21ST!

DON'T MISS THESE EVENTS!

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SECURING PUBLIC WORK IN ILLINOIS: BEYOND THE BASICS WEBINAR

ABCIL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON THIS FREE WEBINAR IN WHICH THE TOPIC WILL BE SECURING PUBLIC WORKS IN ILLINOIS, PRESENTED BY JEFF RISCH. THE WEBINAR WILL BE HELD ON MAY 7TH STARTING AT 7:30 A.M. AND SHOULD BE FINISHED AROUND 9:00 A.M.

UPDATES AND DEVELOPMENTS THAT EVERY CONTRACTOR MUST KNOW REGARDING:

- ◆ RESPONSIBLE BIDDER ORDINANCE
- ◆ PREVAILING WAGE LAW
- ◆ PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS

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MAY 7TH

ABCIL FREE WEBINAR - 7:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.

FOR DETAILS ON THIS WEBINAR PLEASE CONTACT KARI AT 217-523-4692

MAY 5TH - 7TH

CONSTRUCTION EDUCATION CONFERENCE - SHERATON NEW ORLEANS HOTEL, NEW ORLEANS, LA

FOR DETAILS ON THIS CONFERENCE PLEASE CONTACT STEVE AT 847-709-2960

MAY 10TH

LEAD SAFE CERTIFICATION CLASS - ELK GROVE VILLAGE FACILITY - 8:00 A.M.

FOR DETAILS ON THIS CLASS PLEASE CONTACT STEVE AT 847-709-2960

MAY 20TH

ABCIL NETWORKING BREAKFAST - ABCIL OFFICE, 1541 ELMHURST RD, ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL

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MAY 20TH

ABCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AT 11:00 A.M. - FSR CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, LTD.—444 N. YORK RD. ELMHURST, IL 60126

FOR DETAILS ON THIS MEETING PLEASE CONTACT KARI AT 217-523-4692

MAY 21ST

DEADLINE FOR AD SUBMISSION FOR 2010-2011 ABCIL DIRECTORY

FOR DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT LISA AT 847-709-2960

JUNE 1ST

DEADLINE FOR ARTWORK FOR ADS PLACED IN 2010-2011 ABCIL DIRECTORY

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JUNE 15TH - 17TH

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE - HYATT REGENCY WASHINGTON ON CAPITOL HILL, WASHINGTON DC

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JUNE 15TH

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING - HYATT REGENCY WASHINGTON ON CAPITOL HILL, WASHINGTON DC

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JULY 22ND

ABCIL DINNER CRUISE - MYSTIC BLUE CRUISES, NAVY PIER, CHICAGO IL

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AUGUST 18-20TH

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE - NEWPORT BEACH, CA

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NOVEMBER 9-11TH

INSTITUTE FOR PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT - RANCHO MIRAGE, CA

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NOVEMBER 9TH

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING - RANCHO MIRAGE, CA

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