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SSOP of the Month

This month's SSOP of the month is:

Driver Motor Vehicle Records

Motor vehicle history reports shall be reviewed upon initial hire for all employees whom may drive a company vehicle and on an annual basis thereafter for each driver listed on the auto policy, or who are using personal vehicles on company business.

Quote of the Month

"The safety of the people shall be the highest law."

Marcus Tullius Cicero,Roman philosopher



NERI News

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NERI 2016-2017 SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS!

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Congratulations to the winners of the 2016/17 NERI Safety Excellence Awards. These awards recognize the hard work put in by all employees at these respective firms.

Each year the captive ranks members safety performance using a rigorous set of safety benchmarks. Upon completion of this review, the top five (5) performing members

receive Safety Excellence Recognition Awards while the overall performer also gets the honor of holding the NERI Cup for the next policy year.

The 2016/17 NERI Excellence Award Recipients are as follows:

- Barrett Roofing NERI Cup Recipient
- Eagle Cornice
- CEI Group
- MacDonald Sprague
- Macri Roofing

16/17 NERI SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS:

Top Performer – NERI Cup Recipient:

Barrett Roofing



From left to right: Eric Cook (CEI Group), Kristine Cook (CEI Group), Jarod Harrick (Macri Roofing), David Soccio (Eagle Cornice), John Lucchesi Jr. (Barrett Roofing).

Absent from the photo is MacDonald Sprague.

NERI MEMBERS 2017 - 2018 PY

Barrett Roofing Danbury, CT

Canopy Roofing Systems
Briarcliff Manor, NY

CEI Group Whitmore Lake, MI

> Eagle Cornice Cranston, RI

The Fania Company Dover, NJ

> Furey Roofing Providence, RI

Gilbert & Becker Dorchester, MA

H. Klein & Sons Mineola, NY

Kalkreuth Roofing & SM Wheeling, WV

L. Martone & Sons Glen Cove, NY

MacDonald Sprague Holbrook, MA

> Macri Roofing Meriden, CT

New England Masonry & Roofing
Naugatuck, CT

McKenna Roofing Pawtucket, RI

Pfister Energy Paterson, NJ

Pfister Maintenance Paterson, NJ

> **RB Hash** Houston, TX

R&B Roofing Garland, TX

R&S ConstructionMiddlebury, CT

Russell Roofing Oreland, PA

SRC Roofing Quincy, MA

Tech Roofing Springfield, MA

United Roofing & Sheet Metal Danbury, CT

HCA Updates Captive Documents

In October, HCA updated the New Employee Safety Orientation PowerPoint presentation to include slides on silica awareness, protecting air-intakes, and

radio frequency (RF) hazards. The slides are designed to give new employees a base level understanding of the problems and hazards that they, and the public are exposed to during roofing work. In addition, new sample programs on Silica, Air Intakes, and Radio Frequency have been developed



and added to the safety manual. Please feel to use these or adapt the information to your current safety manual/policy.

OSHA Fines Roofer 1.5M for Fall Protection Issues

A Florida roofing contractor was recently fined over of 1.5 million dollars for fall protection deficiencies found on two different jobsites.

Inspectors observed multiple employees removing shingles and plywood from the roof of a multi-story residential building without taking the proper steps to ensure their safety, namely, tying off. The employees were observed conducting these operations with harness on, but not tied off.

Due to the issues at the first jobsite, OSHA initiated a second inspection at another of the company's sites under their regional enforcement program for falls in the construction industry. All told, the company received 11 willful violations for failing to protect employees from fall hazards, and 3 repeat violations for failing to ensure employees utilized eye protection while operating nail guns, and for ladders used to access proof sites.



Though we might believe our employees have their own self-preservation at the top of their list of priorities, many people take pride in having a "production first" attitude. These employees need to be reminded that it is their job to follow the policy and procedures we set in place and that we do not want them taking risks to get work done.