## AGREEMENT RENEWING THE ALLIANCE BETWEEN

# THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR MANHATTAN AREA OFFICE AND

THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION,
THE MASONS TENDERS DISTRICT COUNCIL,

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### THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HEAT & FROST INSULATORS LOCAL 12A

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Manhattan Area Office and the Environmental Contractors Association (ECA), the Masons Tenders District Council (MTDC) and the International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators Local 12A (IAHFI 12A) hereby renew the Alliance agreement signed on January 23, 2007. OSHA, ECA, MTDC and IAHFI 12A continue to recognize the value of maintaining a collaborative relationship to foster safer and more healthful American workplaces. To that end, OSHA and the Environmental Contractors Association (ECA), the Masons Tenders District Council (MTDC) and the International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators Local 12A (IAHFI 12A) hereby renew the Alliance signed January 23, 2007 and renewed March 26, 2009, with a continued emphasis on a cooperative and proactive efforts to advance workplace safety and health. Specifically, The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is committed to providing the Environmental Contractors Association (ECA), the Masons Tenders District Council (MTDC) and the International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators Local 12A (IAHFI 12A) members and others with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect the health and safety of workers and understand the rights of workers and the responsibilities of employers under the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSH Act). Through the Alliance, the organizations will continue to address asbestos, lead and mold abatement hazards in the workplace. In renewing this Alliance, OSHA and the Environmental Contractors Association (ECA), the Masons Tenders District Council (MTDC) and the International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators Local 12A (IAHFI 12A) recognize that OSHA's State Plan and On-site Consultation Project partners are an integral part of the OSHA national effort.

#### Raising Awareness of OSHA's Rulemaking and Enforcement Initiatives

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following goals related to raising awareness of OSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives:

- To share information on OSHA's National/Regional/Local Emphasis Programs, Regulatory Agenda, and opportunities to participate in the rulemaking process.
- To share information on occupational safety and health laws and standards, including the rights and responsibilities of workers and employers.

#### **Training and Education**

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following training and education goal.

• To develop effective training and education programs for asbestos, lead and mold abatement hazards and to communicate such information to constituent employers and workers.

#### Outreach and Communication

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goals

- To develop information on the recognition and prevention of workplace hazards, and to develop ways of communicating such information [for example; print and electronic media, electronic assistance tools, and adding information to OSHA, Environmental Contractors Association (ECA), Masons Tenders District Council (MTDC), and the International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators Local 12A (IAHFI 12A) websites] to employers and workers in the industry.
- To speak, exhibit, or appear at OSHA's or the Environmental Contractors Association (ECA), the Masons Tenders District Council (MTDC) and the International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators Local 12A (IAHFI 12A) conferences, local meetings, or other events.
- To share information among OSHA personnel and industry safety and health professionals regarding the Environmental Contractors Association

(ECA), the Masons Tenders District Council (MTDC) and the International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators Local 12A (IAHFI 12A) good practices or effective approaches through training programs, workshops, seminars, and lectures (or any other applicable forum) developed by the participants.

OSHA's Alliances provide parties an opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with OSHA for purposes such as raising awareness of OSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives, training and education, and outreach and communication. These Alliances have proved to be valuable tools for both OSHA and its Alliance participants. By entering into an Alliance with a party, OSHA is not endorsing or promoting, nor does it intend to endorse or promote, any of that party's products or services.

An implementation team made up of representatives of each organization will meet to develop a plan of action, determine working procedures, and identify the roles and responsibilities of the participants. In addition, they will meet at least three times per year to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the Alliance. OSHA team members will include representatives of the Manhattan Area Office and any other appropriate offices. OSHA will encourage State Plan States' and OSHA On-site Consultation Projects' participation on the team.

This agreement will remain in effect for two years. Any signatory may terminate it for any reason at any time, provided they give 30 days written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the written concurrence of all signatories.



#### Signed on October 20, 2011

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