SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS

SOUTH CAROLINA OSHA WILL HOLD A STANDARDS ADOPTION HEARING

The South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (SC DLLR) will hold a public hearing on May 24th, 2017, at 10:00 AM. It will be held at South Carolina Department of Labor Licensing and Regulation (SCDLLR), 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, SC, Room 108. The hearing is being held to determine if the Director of the SCDLLR will promulgate, revoke, or modify Rules and Regulations pursuant to Section 41-15-210, SC Code of Laws, 1976 to revise and amend existing health and safety standards for 29 CFR parts 1910 and 1926, as necessary to comply with federal laws.

OSH Rules and Regulations being considered at the hearing are as follows:

In Subarticle 6 (General Industry): Revisions to Sections: 1910.1000, 1910.1024, and Appendix A to § 1910.1024

In Subarticle 7 (Construction): Revisions to Sections: 1926.55, 1926.1124, and Appendix A to § 1926.1124

Summary of changes: SC OSHA is amending its existing standards for occupational exposure to beryllium. The amended standard establishes a new permissible exposure limit for beryllium. Provisions of the standard are also being made to protect employees, such as requirements for exposure assessment, methods for controlling exposure, respiratory protection, medical surveillance, hazard communication, and recordkeeping.

SC OSHA is also issuing two separate expanded standards for beryllium, in both general industry and construction to address the hazards found in these sectors.

Information on these standards may be obtained by viewing the following link: <u>https://www.osha.gov/FedReg_osha_pdf/FED20170109.pdf</u>

Any omissions or corrections to the occupational safety and health standards being considered for adoption published in the FEDERAL REGISTER prior to this hearing may be presented at this hearing. These revisions are necessary to comply with federal law and copies of them can be obtained or reviewed at the SC DLLR during normal business hours by contacting the OSHA office at 803-896-5811.

Persons desiring to speak at the hearing shall file with the Director of the SC DLLR a notice of intention to appear and the approximate amount of time required for her/his presentation on the particular matter no later than May 17, 2017. Any person who wishes to express her/his views, but is unable or does not desire to appear and testify at the hearing, should submit those views in writing on or before May 17, 2017.