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Governor's Safety Conference set for March 22-24; Accepting Nominations for 3 Awards

JUNEAU, Alaska—The annual Governor's Safety & Health Conference will be March 22-24 at the Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center in Anchorage. The conference, "Safety Isn't Expensive - It's Priceless," is open to employers, employees, safety and health professionals and the general public.

Sponsored by the Alaska Safety Advisory Council, the conference focuses on emerging safety and health issues, and advanced safety needs that pertain to our unique state.

Certifications to meet the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's 10-hour construction training and 10-hour general industry training are included in the list of course offerings. There will also be a workshop for Electrical Arc Flash.

One highlight of the conference is recognition of Alaska businesses that exemplify good corporate citizenship and a commitment to worker health and safety. Awards will be given in three categories:

- Governor's Safety Award of Excellence
- Governor's Special Achievement Award
- William "Tinker" Childress Memorial Award.

Nomination forms are online at www.regonline.com/builder/site/tab2.aspx?EventID=909011. The nomination deadline is Feb. 25 at 4:30 p.m. AST.

Conference coordinators anticipate more than 350 attendees representing oil and gas, construction, health care, tourism, recreation, state and local government, Alaska Native corporations, aviation, mining, timber and fishing.

Exhibitor space is available for safety or health related products or services. More information is available online at labor.alaska.gov/lss/asac or by calling 907-269-4940.