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REGIONAL UPDATE

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Sarnia-Lambton Building and Construction Trades
Sarnia Construction Association

Dear IEC Partnership:

Re: Sarnia-Lambton Industrial Educational Cooperative (IEC) Response to COVID-19

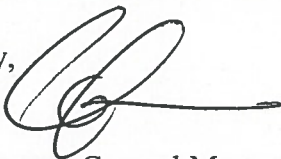
The protection of the health and safety of workers, responders and communities is core to every decision made at the IEC, including the management of risk(s) associated with COVID-19. Our general response to the pandemic has been multi-faceted and includes establishing social distancing through on-line meetings and new classroom protocols, enhanced cleaning and disinfection of all hand-touch surfaces, the promotion of specific personal hygiene practices, and restricting access to our facilities based on government issued instructions.

Yesterday, the IEC 777 Strategy Committee met to align on actions to further decrease the risk of COVID-19 transmission in our workforce. These recommendations were presented to the IEC Board of Directors for approval while recognizing that decisions are being made based on the best information available and that we will continue to monitor the situation closely and respond accordingly. The IEC Board of Directors approved the following actions for implementation effective March 23rd:

- IEC to continue core courses for new workers but postpone other training for six months
- IEC to extend the expiration of all existing core course training by six months for:
 - Basic Safety Orientation (Plus)
 - Basic Safety Refresher
 - Confined Space Entry
 - Safety Attendant
 - Respiratory Fit Tests

Updates will be made to existing database training records to reflect these extensions and some classes will be cancelled/rescheduled. If you have any questions regarding our collective commitment to health and safety in Sarnia-Lambton, then please contact me directly.

Sincerely,



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