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Greetings,

On Friday November 22, 2019 Monte McNaughton, Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development (MLTSD), announced the Supporting Ontario's Safe Employers (SOSE) program which will be facilitated by the Office of the Chief Prevention Officer (CPO). Today, we are proud to announce applications for this program are now available.

Organizations that have their own occupational health and safety management system (OHSMS) may apply to have their system accredited by the CPO.

Organizations that have successfully implemented a CPO Accredited Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHSMS), and MLTSD's additional criteria, can apply for CPO Employer Recognition.

CPO recognized employers will be entitled to non-financial incentives and may also be eligible to receive financial incentives from the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB), if they meet WSIB's criteria.

Organizations that require support in the development of their OHSMS are encouraged to consider the WSIB's Health and Safety Excellence Program and how it may be of value and assistance with preparing for the steps to CPO Employer Recognition.

This program is the first of its kind in Canada and will reward Ontario's safest employers. It is a voluntary program that will formally recognize employers who successfully implement an OHSMS in their workplace. It is open to any employer in Ontario, regardless of size or sector.

Industry has long asked for rewards for employers who successfully promote health and safety in their workplace. This is a big step for Ontario's health and safety community as we continue to move forward in protecting workers.

If you have any questions about the program you can contact the Prevention Office at <u>SOSE@Ontario.ca</u>. Note we will accept application forms via email.

Sincerely,

Ron Kelusky Chief Prevention Officer | Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development Please visit the following links for more information about our program: <u>SOSE Program Overview</u>

CPO Occupational Health and Safety Management System Accreditation Standard

<u>Application Portal</u> to access CPO Occupational Health and Safety Management System Application

The application system has been designed to work with all browsers except for Internet Explorer (IE). If IE is your preferred browser, we ask that you use an alternate browser for your application.

CPO Occupational Health and Safety Management System Application Guidelines

CPO Employer Recognition Criteria

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CPO Employer Recognition Application Guidelines

WSIB to access financial incentive information

WSIB to access their Health and Safety Excellence Program