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April 15, 2021

To: Presidents, Recording Secretaries and Unit Chairpersons in Region 2B, UAW

Greetings:

The 2021 UAW Health and Safety Institute Virtual Training Conference will be held the week of May 24-28, 2021.

This Virtual Conference will provide significant education and training opportunities beneficial to Health & Safety Representatives, Health & Safety Committee members and local union representatives that have Industrial Hygiene, Ergonomics, Covid-19 safe work practices, as well as other health and safety responsibilities.

This year's curriculum will be comprised of various current health and safety related topics that can be delivered effectively via an on-line format. Some of the courses that will be offered this year will include training on Covid-19 mitigation, Vaccinations, Aerosols, Opioid use/misuse, Resiliency, workplace preparedness and more. A variety of plenary sessions related to current safety and health topics will feature guest speakers with advanced knowledge of critical topics. A complete list of classes will be made available when the registration site opens on April 14, 2021.

Delivering updated and effective health and safety training during this unprecedented pandemic is very important to our Union leadership, our local representatives and most importantly our membership as we all work to provide the safest possible environment in our represented workplaces across the country. We thank you for your commitment to health and safety and look forward to your participation in this year's virtual conference.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be completed on-line. Please use the following link to register:

<https://hs.uaw.org>

Please use an updated browser when registering. Delegates will sign in using the following credentials:

USERNAME: hs2021

PASSWORD: 2021safetyfirst

The website will open for registration on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, all registrations must be completed no later than Monday, May 10, 2021.

We are pleased to announce that Spanish speaking interpretation will be available for all sessions of the entire conference.

If you have any questions regarding the registration process, please email Matthew Uptmor at muptmor@uaw.net or contact Debbie Simpson at 313-926-5563.

There will be no Health and Safety Institute Registration fee this year as the conference will be held virtually.

LOST TIME REIMBURSEMENTS

Local unions are requested to ask the employer to pay delegates their normal wages or salaries during the conference. If the employer declines to do so, the local union is encouraged to pay lost time so that delegates may attend.

Reimbursement for lost time payments made by the local union to the employer may be available but funds are limited. To request lost time please include the names of the delegates for whom you are requesting lost time, the number of hours and the hourly rate. If you have any questions, please email Matthew Uptmor at muptmor@uaw.net or contact Debbie Simpson at 313-926-5563.

Deadlines: Reminder registration will close on Monday, May 10, 2021.

Cancellations must be received no later than Monday, May 17, 2021.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wayne Blanchard".

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