



AN AGREEMENT RENEWING AN ALLIANCE

BETWEEN

**THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
REGION IV**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

AND

****INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS FIFTH
AND TENTH DISTRICTS**

**SOUTHEASTERN LINE CONSTRUCTORS APPRENTICESHIP AND
TRAINING**

**SOUTHEASTERN LINE CONSTRUCTORS CHAPTER, NATIONAL
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, INC.¹**

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Atlanta Regional Office, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Southeastern Line Constructors Apprenticeship and Training (SELCAT), and the Southeastern Line Constructors Chapter (SLCC)/ National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) continue to recognize the value of maintaining a collaborative relationship to foster safer and more healthful American workplaces. To that end, OSHA and the IBEW, SELCAT and the SLCC/NECA hereby renew the Alliance signed September 26, 2003 and renewed on December 20, 2006, as well as July 21, 2011, with a continued emphasis on protecting worker's health and safety. Specifically, in reducing and preventing exposure to electrical transmission and distribution equipment hazards. OSHA and the IBEW, SELCAT and the SLCC/NECA are committed to providing IBEW, SELCAT and the SLCC/NECA members and others with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect the health and safety of workers and understand the rights of workers and the responsibilities of employers under the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSH Act). In renewing this Alliance, OSHA and IBEW, SELCAT and the SLCC/NECA

¹Atkins Electric, Bison Electric, Broadway Electric Service Corporation, C & C Powerline, Dacon Corporation, Garnet Electric, Heart Utilities of Jacksonville, Hooper Corporation, Marable-Pirkle, Inc., Marable-Pirkle Services, Michels Power, New River Electric Corporation, Par Electric Construction Company, Riggs Distler & Co., Service Electric Company, Standard Electric Company, The L.E. Myers Company, USA Airmobile, Inc., and Welsbach Electric Corp.

recognize that OSHA's State Plan and On-site Consultation Project partners are an integral part of the OSHA national effort.

Raising Awareness of OSHA's Rulemaking and Enforcement Initiatives

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following goal related to raising awareness of OSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives:

- To convene or participate in forums, roundtable discussions, or stakeholder meetings on electrical injury and illnesses and common safety hazards in order to help forge innovative solutions in the workplace or to provide input on safety and health issues.

Training and Education

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following training and education goals:

- To develop effective training and education programs for workers in the electrical utility industry regarding hazard recognition, safety and health management systems (SHMS) and health hazards, and to communicate such information to constituent employers and workers.
- To deliver or arrange for the delivery of courses regarding fatal accidents in the electrical utility industry, including improper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), failure to maintain a safe distance, and failure to utilize proper equipotential grounding techniques. The Alliance participants will ensure that experienced workers, as well as, inexperienced workers, including, but not limited to apprentices linemen will receive training.

Outreach and Communication

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goals:

- To develop information on the recognition and prevention of workplace hazards, and to develop ways of communicating such information (e.g., print and electronic media, electronic assistance tools, and OSHA's and the IBEW's, SELCAT's and the SLCC/NECA's Web sites) to employers and workers in the industry.
- To speak, exhibit, or attend the IBEW Fifth and Tenth Districts Annual Progress Meetings, Outside Apprenticeship Conference, IBEW Fifth District Construction Organizing Summit, SELCAT and SLCC/NECA Membership Meetings, local labor meetings, training sessions, or other events.
- To share information among OSHA personnel and industry safety and health professionals regarding IBEW's, SELCAT's, and SLCC/NECA's best practices or effective approaches and publicize results through outreach by IBEW, SELCAT, and SLCC/NECA and through OSHA or IBEW, SELCAT, and