



OSSA Connection

News & Views

Vision: *“An Incident Free Workforce”*
Mission: *“Agreed Safety Training Standards
for the Oil Sands Industry”*



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Albian Sands Energy Inc.
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Announcement:

Fort McMurray, Alberta (November 9, 2006) – Steve Williams, executive vice president, Suncor Energy Inc. Oil Sands and chair of the OSSA Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Tim Gondek as executive director of the Oil Sands Safety Association (OSSA).

Tim has been with Suncor for the past 17 years in various roles. He has also been a Steering Committee Member on the OSSA Board of Directors since 2003. His new appointment will be a wonderful opportunity to continue to execute the strategies and plans of the OSSA.

Please help us in welcoming Tim to his new position.

What's New:

- Over 60,000 contract workers have been trained to OSSA standards since 2003. Congratulations!
- The Alberta OH&S Code has recently been updated and now available on the workplace health and safety website.

For other updates please visit our website @
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“Real success is finding your lifework in the work that you love.” *David McCullough (1933-)*



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Interim and Final Compliance Dates

The “**interim**” date defines the beginning of a transition period for implementing the safety training. The “**final compliance**” date defines the timeline when all contract workers requiring the safety training on the Member sites must have attended an OSSA accredited training program.

Interim Date: From this date all **NEW workers** to an existing or new contract requiring the safety training must have completed an OSSA accredited training program.

Final Compliance Date: From this date **ALL workers** requiring the safety training must have completed an OSSA accredited training program.

Training Standard	# of Contract Workers Trained as of Sept. 30, 2006	Interim Date	Final Compliance Date
Fall Protection	50,000	Nov. 1, 2004	Oct. 1, 2006
Aerial Work Platform	3500	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Confined Space Entry	4500	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Confined Space Monitor	3500	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Fire Watch	200	Jan. 1, 2007	Jan. 1, 2009

OSSA Regional Orientation – Final compliance - April 1, 2006

All contract workers coming to work on any of the OSSA Member sites must provide proof of having attended the OSSA Regional Orientation.

OSSA Service Providers have delivered the OSSA Regional Orientation to to **9000** Contract Workers.

Safety is understanding, and it is an attitude of mind – it is not necessarily only following rules or directions.

- Garry Richards, "Safety vs. Challenge", 1978