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### **Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Adopts Federal OSHA Amendments**

**JUNEAU** – Effective August 13, 2007, the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health section of the Labor Standards and Safety Division in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development will adopt federal OSHA's amendments to Electrical Installation Standards adopted by reference under Alaska regulations (8 AAC 61.1010). This Federal Final Rule is summarized in the Federal Register as follows:

*In this final rule, OSHA is revising its existing Electrical Installation Standard to reflect the most current practice and technology in the industry. The existing standard is based on a National Consensus Standard, the 1979 edition of Part I of NFPA 70E, entitled Standard for Electrical Safety Requirements for Employee Workplaces.*

This amendment will help ensure that workers in Alaska are adequately protected and workplaces maintain occupational safety and health standards in Alaska that are at least as effective as federal standards. The Alaska Occupational Safety and Health section is adopting this regulatory amendment through a program directive, which has been posted on the Alaska On-line Public Notice system at <http://notes4.state.ak.us/pn>.

For a complete listing of the Federal Final Rule, go to

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/pdf/E7-1360.pdf>

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