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Spruce Park Auto Body Recognized for Workplace Safety

JUNEAU, Alaska— Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Heidi Drygas approved Spruce Park Auto Body, Inc. for the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program renewal as a result of outstanding employee safety and health programs.

“Our staff here at Spruce Park Auto Body has always welcomed AKOSH’s Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP) into our facility for safety maintenance,” said shop manager Ken Perrault. “Although we independently make every effort to keep our facility safe, working together with AKOSH safety consultants helps to identify additional potential hazards that may be overlooked in our day-to-day operations. This proactive method of identifying hazards keeps us informed on new materials and techniques to add to work area and employee safety. We look forward to continuing our relationship with AKOSH and the SHARP program in the future to ensure our employees continue to have a safe work environment.”

SHARP is a federal recognition program, administered by the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Section in the department’s Labor Standards and Safety Division. Participating employers are excused from programmed AKOSH enforcement inspections during the recognition period. However, employee complaints, accident investigations or other significant incidents will result in enforcement action.

Companies that partner with AKOSH and achieve SHARP status are likely to experience fewer workplace accidents and reduced workers’ compensation insurance costs. For more information on how your business can become a SHARP participant or to see a list of current participants, visit the SHARP web page at <http://labor.alaska.gov/lss/OSH-SHARP.htm>, or call SHARP Program Coordinator Colleen Cunanan at (907) 269-4953 or email her at Colleen.Cunanan@Alaska.Gov.

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