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### **NMS in Juneau Receives Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Award**

JUNEAU, Alaska—Labor Commissioner Click Bishop approved NMS in Juneau for the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program award as a result of outstanding employee safety and health programs.

“As a company, we believe that safety is a journey, not a destination,” NMS Area Manager Mark Jimmerson said. “We must continually find ways to advance our safety culture and always continue to make safety a priority.”

Companies that partner with AKOSH and achieve SHARP status are likely to experience fewer workplace accidents and reduced workers' compensation insurance costs.

SHARP is a federal recognition program, administered by the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Section in the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development's 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.

For more information on how a business can become a SHARP participant or to see a list of current participants, visit SHARP online at <http://labor.alaska.gov/lss/OSH-SHARP.htm>, or call SHARP Program Coordinator Jeff Kolean at 907-269-4953 or email [Jeffrey.Kolean@Alaska.Gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Kolean@Alaska.Gov).

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