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Re: Local Law 196 of 2017 Site Safety Training Requirements

Dear Owner:

Local Law 196, enacted in 2017, requires workers at construction sites requiring Site Safety Managers, Site Safety Coordinators and Construction Superintendents to have safety training. Currently, workers are required to complete a 10-hour safety course approved by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). By June 1, 2019, workers will need 30 hours of training, a requirement that can be satisfied by taking an OSHA 30-hour training course. By September 1, 2020, 40 hours of training will be required.

At each site for which you are a permit holder, you are responsible for ensuring that all construction and demolition workers employed or otherwise engaged under such permit have received site safety training in accordance with Section 3321 of the New York City Building Code, as described above. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the issuance of a violation, with civil penalties as high as \$5,000 per untrained worker – issued to each site owner, the permit holder, and the employer of the untrained worker.

In addition, at each site for which you are a permit holder, you must maintain and produce upon request a log that identifies each construction and demolition worker and includes proof that the worker completed the required site safety training. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the issuance of a violation with a civil penalty of \$2,500.

To learn more about the training requirements and find a City-approved course provider, please visit <http://nyc.gov/nycsafety>.

If you own a small construction business, your employees may be eligible for free training. For more information, please visit <https://on.nyc.gov/sitesafetytraining>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick D. Chandler".

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