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Kenai Wastewater Treatment Plant Approved for Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Award

JUNEAU, Alaska—Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Click Bishop approved Kenai Wastewater Treatment Plant for the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program renewal as a result of outstanding employee safety and health programs.

“The SHARP program has been very beneficial for the City of Kenai’s WWTP,” Public Works Director of Capital Projects Manager Sean Wedemeyer said. “We are working toward increasing our participation from that one facility to thirteen.”

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 labor.alaska.gov/lss/OSH-SHARP.htm, or contact SHARP Program Coordinator John King at (907) 269-4958 or John.King@Alaska.Gov.

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