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Drop in Construction Rates Continues!

For the second year in a row, BC construction Industry employers are slated to have their base assessment rate decrease significantly. The preliminary assessment rates for 2008 were announced today by WorkSafeBC and the news is all good. (The rates are described as preliminary because they have not yet been formally approved by the WorkSafeBC Board of Directors. This approval is expected at their next meeting.)

The major, across the industry, decreases coincide with the creation of the Construction Safety Association of BC and its safety training and Certificate of Recognition (COR) program.

Examples of significant preliminary rate decreases are:

The Industrial Commercial and Institutional CU rate will drop by 13.9% -- great news during the expanding activity in this area. The new rate is \$4.08.

Home Building also has a large drop – 11.4%%, to \$4.06 per \$100 payroll.

Low Slope Roofing will decrease by 19.6% -- to \$ 6.98.

Steep Slope Roofing will decrease by 5.9% -- to \$12.98

Highway or Road Paving decreases by 19% -- to \$3.25

Electrical Work decreases by 17.5% -- to \$1.46

Masonry decreases by 19.6% -- to \$5.45

The complete list of WorkSafeBC preliminary rates for 2008 are attached. The Construction Industry rate numbers all begin with 72 and can easily be located in the list "Sorted by Classification Unit."

To keep the rates going down, contact the CSABC and start to earn your own company COR and your rebate of 5% of the base rate.

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