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MCAA Offers Model Crane Safety Program *Program simplifies compliance with the OSHA standard*

ROCKVILLE, MD—The Mechanical Contractors Association of America (MCAA) has released a *Model Crane Safety Program* to assist contractors in complying with the requirements set forth in OSHA's *Cranes and Derricks in Construction Standard (29 CFR 1926 Subpart CC)*. The standard was published in the *Federal Register* as a final rule on August 9, 2010.

"The *Model Crane Safety Program* was designed specifically for mechanical construction contractors," notes Tom Skaggs, Chairman of MCAA's Safety and Health Committee and Vice President – Safety for the Murphy Company. "It simplifies the process of complying with the OSHA standard, which is a real plus for busy contractors."

"MCAA members won't always be required to have a written crane safety program," says Pete Chaney, Director of Safety and Health for MCAA. "Some owners, GCs and CMs are requiring written programs from all affected subcontractors, however, so MCAA felt it was important to provide a tool that will assist our members in preparing one."

The *Model Crane Safety Program* is available for immediate download from MCAA's Bookstore at www.mcaa.org/store, where contractors can also find a wide variety of safety publications designed specifically for the mechanical construction, service and plumbing industries. There is

no charge for MCAA members to download the publication. The cost for non-members is \$54.

For additional information about MCAA's Safety Excellence Initiative or the ways in which these OSHA's *Cranes and Derricks in Construction Standard* will impact your business, please contact Pete Chaney at 800-556-3653 or pchaney@mcaa.org.

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