

NECA-IBEW Joint Safety Committee

May 18th, 2023



Meeting minutes

1. **Call to order** - The attendees gave introductions and approved the 3/16/23 minutes.
 - 1.1. Troy Nichols - Stoner, Bob Henderson - Capitol, Jeff Cordill - Christenson, John - Safety Intern with Christenson, Ilene Ferrell - Cochran, Shane Tercek - Capitol, Debbie Spickerman - IBEW 48, Larry Reynolds - IBEW 48, Josh Carter - IBEW 48, Steve Huson - MPE, Matt Harris - OEG and Barry Moreland - NIETC were in attendance.
2. **Communications** - Publications / Handouts / Safety Resources
 - 2.1. OSHA Women Specific [PPE Interpretation](#)
 - 2.2. Schneider Electric [NFPA 70B Guide](#)
 - 2.3. OSHA [Leading Indicator Survey](#)
3. **Old business** -
 - 3.1. CBA safety language - 2 JWs splicing cable? - IBEW Safety Caucus follow up - Barry to check with the I O at the upcoming Safety Caucus as to the application of the 2 JW rule when splicing "cable" Category 1 language found in the Commercial CBA.
 - 3.2. NFPA 70B Standard - Lloyd Center Example - A focused campaign informing our membership, contractors and our clients about the NFPA 70B, now officially a Standard, which directs the frequency and process for the inspection and maintenance of electrical equipment. This standard aligns with both NFPA 70E and OSHA regulations for establishing a safe work environment and "Normal Operating Conditions" necessary to establish risk when performing EEW.
 - 3.3. Women specific PPE - Matt shared information about some new fall protection harnesses designed specifically for women. OSHA requires that PPE in general be designed and selected to properly fit the end user no matter what size, shape or gender they may be.
4. **New Business**
 - 4.1. NFPA 70E - 2024 out 6/14/23. Establish new EEW Sample Policy revision group - Barry to summarize changes found in the latest edition of NFPA 70 (to be

released in June) and invite stakeholder group to review and update the sample EEW Policy as necessary.

4.2. NECA Safety Awards - Zero Injury and Safety Excellence winners

4.2.1. EC - Liberty & Busack = Zero Injury

4.2.2. EC- Liberty - Busack - Tice - Rosenden = Safety Excellence

4.3. Leading Indicators - what do you use? OSHA's Leading Indicator Resource - Federal OSHA is surveying employers as to the most effective leading indicators used, likely to compile and produce a voluntary resource guide much like their S&H Management document. Barry to establish a similar survey within 48 contractors and members to evaluate what indicators are of the most value.

4.4. Apprentice training suspension survey - the committee discussed options to better identify JWs who may not be the best fit to supervise apprentices, similar to what the Outside Line JATC does.

5. **Round Table - Injury Reports - Lessons Learned**

5.1.1. App shocked on scissor lift - suspected faulty temp power system or internal wiring in scissor lift (MEC brand). Initial investigation determined electrical potential on scissor lift frame. Further inspections on temp service supply power and internal wiring of scissor lift to be conducted. Second time this has happened on this project. More info to follow.

6. **Up Next** - The next meeting is scheduled for July 20th, at 2:00 PM, at the NIETC in room #3. Barry to send out meeting invite and reminder.