

GOVERNOR'S INNOVATION in SAFETY AWARD



"If you want something new, you have to stop doing something old"

- Peter F. Drucker

Award Objective

The 'Innovation in Safety Award' is presented to an innovative work group or to recognize a Company that has developed and instituted an innovative method, design, tool, procedure or concept of engineering that has significantly contributed to a positive impact on safety, thus improving health and quality of life in the work place.

Innovation Definition

For the purpose of this award, "innovation" is broadly defined as a new initiative idea, product or solution to a specific safety and health problem, thus improving health and the quality of life.

Eligibility

A group may be defined as a company; corporation; government entity; non-profit; or other group. Groups may submit nominations for smaller business units such as an operating unit, a division, a regional office, a department, etc., or an organization-wide basis. Alaska Occupational Safety and Health (AKOSH) will verify that the nominee meets the AKOSH violations criteria. Also, the State of Alaska will review the application and ensure the submitting company/organization is a good corporate citizen in regards to environmental rules, legal issues, wage and hour, etc. Persons submitting a nomination attest that all material submitted are correct to the best of their knowledge.

Ineligibility

Any group submitting a nomination with serious, willful or repeat violations issued by Alaska Occupational Safety and Health (AKOSH) are not eligible for an award in the year the violation was issued or in the year in which there are outstanding violations of the above types. AKOSH will verify that the nominee does not exceed the AKOSH violations criteria. Also, the State of Alaska will review the application and ensure the submitting company or organization is a good corporate citizen in regards to environmental rules, legal issues, wage and hour, etc.

Innovations receiving an award, will not receive an award for the same innovation, in subsequent years.

Nomination Criteria and Submission Standards

1. (Mandatory criteria requirement.) The Group will provide and demonstrate in written and visual detail the safety, quality of life issues, consequences, and a description of risks inherent with the situation prior to the innovation. Photos, testimonies, sketches, video, physical example or other means is highly recommended in order to provide a compressive visual picture with notes or instructions. This information can be provided in either or both digitally and physical media form.
2. (Mandatory criteria requirement.) The Group will provide and demonstrate in written and visual detail the innovation that was implemented that positively impacted their employee and or Company safety and health situation, thus improving safety, health and the quality of life. Photos, testimonies, sketches, video, physical example or other means is highly recommended in order to provide a comprehensive visual picture with notes or instructions. This information can be provided in either or both digitally and physical media form.
 - a. The group will provide an overview of the uniqueness of the innovation or the significance of the change, and provide an understanding of the uniqueness of the innovation by explaining how it has filled a particular void or changed thinking, practices, processes, or procedures.
 - b. The group will provide in further detail a description of the strategies and initiatives developed to address the problem; a description of the methods used to assess the risks relating to the problem, assisting development of the solution; a description of the approach and involvement of the site's resources and employees; a description of how the solution was trialed and tested; a description of whether an assessment has identified new hazards since implementation of the solution and subsequent management strategies; and where relevant, a description of how the hierarchy of hazard controls has been applied.
 - c. Lastly, the Group has to demonstrate as a whole where they have taken the innovation throughout the organization.
3. (Mandatory criteria requirement.) All Applicants are required to sign a release of information form and be willing to provide a five minute presentation upon acceptance of the Innovation

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in Safety Award at the Governor's Award Presentation Ceremony. The presentation must include at the minimum but not limited to a PowerPoint or equivalent media presentation of the information detailed in paragraph 1 and 2 of this section.

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Award Nomination Form**

Table 1 –Nominee Information

Name of Company/Agency Division/Operating Unit:	
Company Name: (as it would appear on the award)	
Mailing Address:	
Physical Address:	
Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
SIC/NAICS Code:	

Is this a division/department of a larger organization? yes no

Group size (number of employees): 1 – 50 51 – 300 300+

Recognition Criteria:

- There must be a demonstrated safety, quality of life issues, consequences, and a description of risks inherent with the situation prior to the innovation.
- There must be a demonstrated innovation that was implemented that positively impacted their employee and or Company safety and health situation, thus improving safety, health and the quality of life.
- There must be a description of the strategies and initiatives developed to address the problem; a description of the methods used to assess the risks relating to the problem, assisting development of the solution; a description of the approach and involvement of the site’s resources and employees; a description of how the solution was trialed and tested; a description of whether an assessment has identified new hazards since implementation of the solution and subsequent management strategies; and where relevant, a description of how the hierarchy of hazard controls has been applied.
- There must be a documented system to demonstrate as a whole where the group has taken the innovation throughout the organization.

Table 2 –Application or Nominator Information

Application Individual:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
Email:	
Affiliation to Application organization:	

The information provided in this nomination is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

Completed applications must be received no later than March 10th, 2017 @ 5:00pm AST. Please send completed applications to: dol.asac@alaska.gov or call 907-465-4855 for more information.

NOTE: If additional information or clarification is needed by the award committee, the applicant will be notified by **March 13th, 2017** and will have until **March 13th, 2017 5:00pm AST** to submit those clarifications or documents. The applicant will be disqualified if any of the data proves incorrect or the applicant unresponsive.