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Reply to the attention of:

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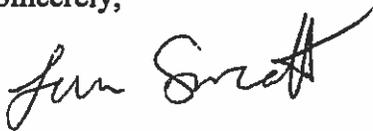
Dear Mr. Wellman:

Congratulations on your organization being selected as an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Training Institute Education Center. Your organization's application was selected based on its ability to effectively support the OSHA training mission to provide safety and health training to workers and employers. We are pleased with the quality of your application as reflected by the fact that you were one of 13 applicants to be selected as an OSHA Training Institute (OTI) Education Center from a field of 19 applicants.

Through the OTI Education Centers Program, OSHA offers a broad selection of occupational safety and health classes that aim to provide the knowledge and tools that workers and employers need to identify and correct workplace safety and health hazards. We consider the OTI Education Centers Program to be an essential component in OSHA's mission to prevent work-related job injuries, illnesses, and fatalities. The Agency anticipates the 26 OTI Education Centers, comprised of 39 organizations, will continue to increase the number of students trained each year.

We appreciate your interest in occupational safety and health education and look forward to the success of your program.

Sincerely,

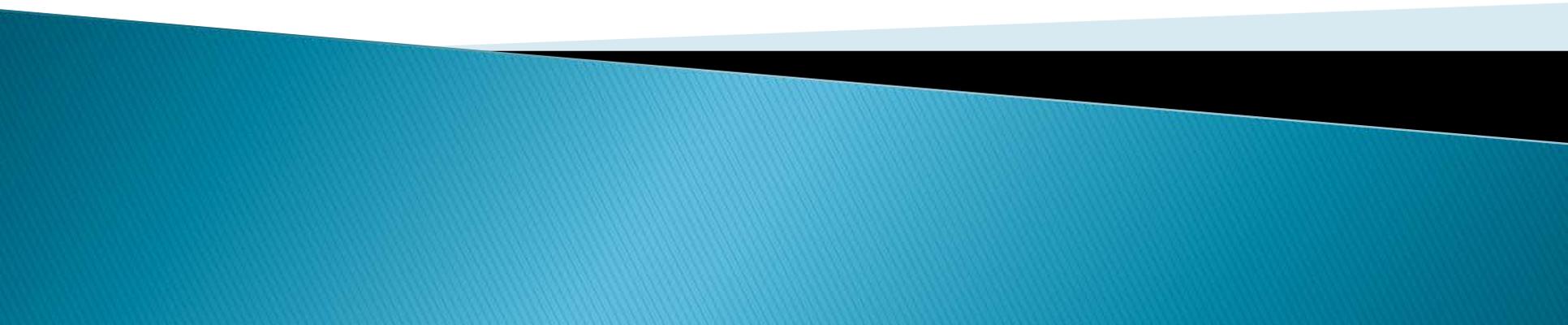


Loren Sweatt
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cc: Chris King
Brandon Green

Midwest OSHA Education Center (MOEC) Reorganization Region VII

Dean Kurt Teal



Previous Organization

Midwest OSHA Education Center (MOEC) Members

- National Safety Council Nebraska
 - Saint Louis University
 - Barton Community College
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Current Organization

Great Plains OSHA Education Center (GPOEC) Members

- Metropolitan Community College of Kansas City (Lead organization)
 - Barton Community College
 - Saint Louis University College for Public Health and Social Justice
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Experience

Metropolitan Community College of Kansas City (Lead)

- One of the original OSHA Training Institute Education Centers (OTIECs) and has successfully served Region VII for 25 years

Barton Community College

- Deeply involved with providing training to the military and involvement with business and industry throughout the region for 5 years

Saint Louis University College Center for Environmental Education and Training (CEET)

- Founding member of the Midwest OSHA Education Center, 15 year history of working with labor organizations and job training programs for the underserved

Previous 3 Year Period

- 239 classes
- 3,530 students
- 67,000+ contact hours

Student Population

- 70% military members
 - 25% industry clients
 - 5% private students
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Key Personnel

Metropolitan Community College of Kansas City (Lead Organization)

- James D. Wellman, BS Industrial Safety, and MBA, serves as the Director of GPOEC at Metropolitan Community College, devotes 90% of his time to this position.

Barton Community College

- Kurt Teal, Acting Director Occupational Safety and Health Program, oversees the OSHA Training Institute (OTI) training, devotes 25% effort toward GPOEC at Barton Community College

Saint Louis University College Center for Environmental Education and Training (CEET)

- Christopher C. King, PhD, CSP, and CHMM, serves as the director of GPOEC at Saint Louis University, devotes 50% of effort toward GPOEC during the 2017–2018 academic year, and 80% thereafter.

Moving Forward

Conduct a state-wide comprehensive search for a new Director of Occupational Safety and Health Program / Director of Great Plains OSHA Education Center (GPOEC). Certifications/Qualifications:

- Graduate degree in Occupational Safety & Health (preferred) or Bachelor's degree with at least 18 hours of graduate level credit within an OSH related field
- Current OSHA outreach trainer
- Certified Environmental Safety & Health Trainer (CET)
- Certified Safety Professional (CSP) or other professional certification in the field.
- Five to ten years documented experience in construction with safety program responsibility for five of those years
- Strong interpersonal skills to work with supervisors and supervise others

Questions?

