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Dear Ms. Demboski,

From December 22, 2015, to present, the Occupational Safety and Health (AKOSH) Enforcement section has inspected the Municipality of Anchorage 21 times for health or safety related issues. Fourteen of these inspections resulted in the issuance of 86 citations, nine of which were repeat violations. In addition to the enforcement activities, during the same period the Municipality of Anchorage has worked with the AKOSH Consultation and Training program on numerous occasions regarding the Municipality's safety program.

Due to multiple repeat citations and the inspection history, I have determined that the latest violations necessitate classification under the Severe Violator Enforcement Program (SVEP). Employers are placed in the SVEP category when cited for multiple high-gravity serious repeat violations. Enclosed you will find a copy of a Citation and Notification of Penalties for violations of State of Alaska Occupational Safety and Health statutes issued to the Municipality of Anchorage.

Under SVEP, AKOSH may require any or all of these additional items to be included as part of any informal settlement agreement:

- Obtain a third-party health and safety professional to evaluate workplace safety programs, program implementation, and overall effectiveness throughout the Municipality. AKOSH Consultation and Training cannot be used as an option in this instance.
- Compile a list of work sites where fall hazards and falling object hazards exist or may exist and forward that information to the AKOSH office. From this list, AKOSH could choose to conduct on-site inspections.
- Agree to submit all OSHA 300 logs on a quarterly basis for the next two years, and consent to inspections for such worksites.

- Report all instances of serious injury or illness requiring medical treatment beyond first aid and consent to an inspection of the establishments where those injuries occurred.

The violations referred to in these citations must be abated by the dates listed, and any penalties paid unless contested. The enclosed Citation and Notification of Penalties is being provided to you for informational purposes so that you are aware of the violations. The original was mailed to the Municipality of Anchorage separately. Information regarding payment of fines or settlement of violations is included in the enclosed citation packet.

We are committed to continuing to work with the Municipality of Anchorage to ensure that the workplace hazards identified in this packet are corrected. Please feel free to reach out to me directly with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'W. Harlan', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

William Harlan
Division Director

Enclosure: Citation and Notification of Penalties