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Air Logistics of Alaska, Fairbanks Approved for Voluntary Protection Program

JUNEAU, Alaska—Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Click Bishop approved Air Logistics of Alaska, Fairbanks for the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Voluntary Protection Program at the “Star” level to signify a tremendous achievement in occupational safety and health.

“Air Logistics has been a VPP site since 2001,” Bishop said. “This longstanding commitment to maintaining superior safety and health performance sets a tremendous example for all businesses in Alaska to follow.”

The voluntary VPP recognizes and promotes effective workplace safety and health management through a cooperative program between a company’s management, employees and AKOSH.

As a VPP Star recipient Air Logistics won’t be subject to random enforcement inspections for five years. Enforcement regulations remain in effect, however, and cases of employee complaints, accident investigations or other significant incidents will result in an enforcement inspection.

“The Voluntary Protection Program is an excellent fit with our Bristow Group Safety Culture,” said Robert Goebel, safety manager for Air Logistics of Alaska. “Our employees’ continual commitment to a safe operating environment is the reason why Air Logistics of Alaska is able to maintain its excellent industrial and aviation safety record. Our continued participation in the VPP program will assist us in providing a safe, efficient, and rewarding workplace while maintaining our place at the forefront of Alaskan aviation transportation.”

There are 16 sites in Alaska with the AKOSH VPP designation. For a complete listing of the sites and more information about the program, go to <http://labor.alaska.gov/lss/vpp-participants.html> or contact VPP Coordinator Bill Nickerson at 907-269-4948 or Bill.Nickerson@Alaska.Gov.

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