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Enclosed please find the first release to *Health and Safety Compliance Toolkit — Ontario* for 2018.

This release features updates to the Introduction, Chapters 2 (Occupational Health & Safety (OHS) Program Administration), 3 (Emergency Plan Procedures), 4 (Occupational Health Hazards), 5 (Hazardous Materials Management Guide), 6 (Safe Work Practice Instructions), 7 (Safe Work Standards Procedures) and the Appendices.

Highlights

Updates to the Toolkit relate to the implementation of GHS-aligned WHMIS, now known as WHMIS 15. Other updates, additions and edits are shown below.

- **WHMIS 2015.** Terminology has been updated in Chapters 2, 4 and 5. Appendix 26 – WHMIS 15 training checklist – has been updated and expanded. New material has been added to chapters 4 and 5 for updating and further clarification. See particularly 5.0, 5.3.
- **Hazardous Substances Inventories.** Chapter 5, sections 5.3 and 5.4 has been expanded to clarify what is needed for effective management and to reflect WHMIS 15.
- **Training Requirements under the OHS Act and Regulations.** Appendix 20a has been updated to include new regulatory provisions.
- **Codes and Standards.** Where referenced in the toolkit, these have been updated.
- **WHMIS 15 Training Checklist.** Appendix 26 has been expanded and updated.
- **Identifying OHS regulatory requirements.** A new section has been added to the Toolkit's Introduction to highlight the need to identify regulatory requirements applicable to particular workplace situations and hazards. See A.4 (2) Identifying Applicable OHS Legislation of the introduction. As well, an Appendix has been added containing resources for this task (Appendix 29 Identifying Workplace Specific Regulatory Requirements under the OHS Act Resources).

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- **Maximum Fines.** These have been updated in Chapter 1.

Finally, a number of general housekeeping edits have been applied.

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