



Washington State and Federal OSHA Panel

September 13th, 2016

4:15-5:00 pm

WA State OSHA Overview

- ▶ Successful in breaking into Wireline and Wireless
- ▶ Brought commonality to a large number of the definitions
- ▶ Introduced contract employer and the responsibilities
- ▶ Host Employer still exists, they have a note to this definition
 - ▶ They have determined at this point there can only ever be one host employer
 - ▶ Joint responsibilities of host and contract employers
- ▶ Host employer in control of the energy source - point back to OET65
- ▶ Clarification needs to be requested
- ▶ Climbing facility is not defined
- ▶ Remote communication sites
- ▶ Large amount of redundancy of what is already there
- ▶ Capstan and Capstan Hoist
- ▶ Safety nets are still present
- ▶ Fall protection required at 4 ft.

Federal OSHA Overview

- ▶ RFI was done and they are moving forward with a standard
- ▶ WE have been advised they are moving forward with rulemaking
 - ▶ Three areas of focus:
 - ▶ Fall Protection
 - ▶ RF Energy
 - ▶ Gin Pole
- ▶ Open dialog is occurring
- ▶ There has been industry wide education provided to OSHA
- ▶ Made provisions for OSHA to have a pre-released copy of the ANSI/TIA 322
- ▶ OSHA participated in kicking off the Safety Equipment Manufacturers Committee

Questions?