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President's Message

Summer is well underway, and by all accounts it's been a pretty decent construction season so far!

As we move into August, we are getting closer to the implementation of Alberta's new prompt payment legislation. **The Prompt Payment and Construction Lien Act comes into effect on August 29th**, and it will have a significant impact on our industry. This new legislation, which the ECAA has been heavily involved in influencing through board member Terry Milot and the Alberta Trade Contractors Council (ATCC), will establish mandatory time periods in which payment must be made to all parties involved in the construction chain. We have posted some FAQs about the new Act on our website, which can be found by clicking here.



Some changes occurring in our North West Chapter, as Jason Bradshaw has transitioned to a different professional role which will see him also step down as Chapter President. On behalf of the Provincial Board and our members, I would like to thank Jason for his time and efforts during his term as Chapter President and we look forward to his ongoing participation with the chapter in this new role. As a result of this change, I am pleased to announce that Christa Youngman, Owner/Operator of Youngman Electric out of Grande Prairie has agreed to step into the role. I am excited about the energy and passion that Christa will bring to this role, not just at the chapter level, but also to the Provincial Board.

A couple of upcoming events to consider, the first being the Wood Buffalo Apprenticeship Golf Tournament on August 18 in Fort McMurray, <u>register or sponsor here</u>. And not to rush the end of summer, but registration is now open for the Bob Carson Classic, an always sold-out golf tournament held at the Highlands Golf Club in Edmonton; <u>click here to register your team</u>. That's it for now, enjoy the rest of your summer, and stay safe.

Neil Moffatt Provincial President

Upcoming Events



33rd Annual Bob Carson Classic Golf Tournament Highlands Golf Club Wednesday, September 14th

Join us at Edmonton Chapter's Annual Golf Tournament for an ECAA Member Event (Members may bring non-members)

Entry fee includes tournament play, prizes, hole sponsors and more!

Be sure to register early before the tournament sells out.

Limited Sponsorship Opportunities available









Industry News

Alberta Prompt Payment & Construction Lien Act - Effective August 29th, 2022

<u>Bill 37: The Builders' Lien (Prompt Payment) Amendment Act, 2020</u> introduces timelines and rules for payments and liens in all construction industry sectors, ensuring contractors and subcontractors are paid on time.

Previously, Alberta had no rules for payment timelines in the construction industry, which meant these timelines were vague if not addressed in a contract. These changes will set a clear timeline of 28 calendar days for general contractors to receive payments, and seven calendar days after payment is received for contractors to pay subcontractors, giving construction industry professionals the confidence they need to operate successfully.

Key changes from the previous legislation:

Bill 37: The Builders' Lien (Prompt Payment) Amendment Act, 2020:

- sets a 28-day timeline for project owners to pay invoices to general contractors
- sets a seven-day timeline for contractors to pay subcontractors after receiving payment
- extends timelines for registering liens:
 - construction industry: from 45 days to 60 days
 - concrete industry: from 45 days to 90 days
- increases the minimum amount owed that can be subject to a lien from \$300 to \$700
- allows dispute resolution through adjudication, which is faster and less costly than going to court
- introduces new rules allowing holdback money on large, multi-year projects to be released without risks at pre-set times
- improves subcontractors' access to payment information
- renames the Builders' Lien Act to the Prompt Payment and Construction Lien Act

Bill 37 received royal assent on December 9, 2020 and will come into force August 29, 2022.



The following **Electrical STANDATA** is now available on the Alberta.ca website. Follow the links below to view or print copies.

<u>18-LEG-ECR-002</u> Electrical Code Regulation - Section 2 - Electrical systems equipment

21-LEG-SCA-059(REV4) Safety Codes Act - Reporting of electrical incidents

21-ECB-010(REV1) Section 10 Grounding and bonding

<u>21-ECV-010-102-GE</u> Rule 10-102 Grounding electrodes (number of rods) To view all Electrical STANDATA <u>click here</u>.

PESL Training schedule for August & September 2022 - <u>PESL August 2022 VILT Course Catalog PESL</u> <u>September 2022 VILT Course Catalog</u> (Please note that the new 2022/2023 rates are in effect Sept 1st) These courses qualify for APD points for PEC's.

1 Day Arc Flash & Shock Training Monday, August 29th, 2022 - registration cut off Monday, August 22nd, 2022. For more information and registration, please contact <u>training@twbesc.ca</u>

ECAA is currently looking to fill the position of Education Coordinator. For more information, or to submit a resume, contact Robin Bobocel (rbobocel@ecaa.ab.ca). <u>Position Description</u>

Save the Dates

Mark your calendars to join your local Chapter at these events in September.

Calgary Chapter Social - Thursday, September 8th

Fort McMurray Chapter Meeting - Wednesday, September 21st

Edmonton Chapter Meeting - Thursday, September 22nd

North West Chapter Social - Thursday, September 29th, 2022

Whether it's your first time or not, join the North West Chapter as we start the season off with a brief meeting agenda, appetizers and pool tournament at Better Than Fred's in Grande Prairie. \$10/person price includes appetizers and tournament play.



Register for the NW Pool Tournament

PEC News



UPCOMING COURSES

Electrical Project Management - September 14 & 15 (Virtual Instructor Led). For course description and registration, click here. *this is a required course for PEC

Legal Implications - September 29th & 30th (Virtual Instructor Led) For course description and registration, click here. *this is a required course for PEC For more course offerings visit https://www.ecaa.ab.ca/pec-program-courses/

Call for Speakers

Planning is underway for ECAA's Annual Conference May 11th - 14th, 2023 being held at the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge.

We want to hear from you! If you are interested in presenting at our conference or have a suggestion, let us know.

Email us (<u>Robin Bobocel</u> or <u>Christine Hryniw</u>) with your suggestions.



News from your Associates



E.B. Horsman Victoria has officially moved. New Address: 3250 Tennyson Ave, Victoria BC V8Z 3P3.

E.B. Horsman & Son – Victoria, B.C. – We are extremely happy to announce that our E.B. Horsman & Son (EBH) Victoria branch has moved to a new location as of July 25, 2022! The new 12,000 square foot building is located at <u>3250 Tennyson Ave</u>, just a two-minute drive away from our previous location on the corner of Cloverdale Ave and Blanshard Street. The new facility features a 28-foot clear height ceiling, a larger open concept counter service area, 22 parking spots, two EV chargers, as well as a dock and grade-level loading areas; all of which will allow us to better serve the Greater Victoria Area.

To read the complete press release, click here.



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