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Parker Drilling Receives SHARP Recognition

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JUNEAU, Alaska—Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Click Bishop approved Parker Training Center of Parker Drilling Company for the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program as a result of outstanding employee safety and health programs.

Parker Training Center provides safety, health, operational and NSTC training for Parker Drilling and subcontractor employees in the oil and gas well drilling industry.

"Parker Drilling has one of the lowest total recordable injury case rates of any drilling company in the United States," Training Center Manager Sean Mills said.

Companies that partner with AKOSH and achieve SHARP status are likely to experience fewer workplace accidents and reduced workers' compensation insurance costs.

SHARP is a federal recognition program, administered by the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Section in the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Standards and Safety Division. Participating employers are excused from programmed AKOSH enforcement inspections during the recognition period. However, employee complaints, accident investigations or other significant incidents will result in enforcement action.

For more information on how a business can become a SHARP participant or to see a list of current participants, visit SHARP online at <u>http://Labor.Alaska.Gov/lss/OSH-SHARP.htm</u>, or call SHARP Program Coordinator Jeff Kolean at 907-269-4953 or email <u>Jeffrey.Kolean@Alaska.Gov</u>.

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