

Hello to the Safety Committee! :-)

I am a safety professional for a large Saskatchewan Corporation and would like to suggest that the committee, if they haven't already, determine the trends from this past years fatalities. I'm assuming, of course, that many of the fatalities here this past year were during the winter season. I've never, in my 41 years, experienced such treacherous driving conditions on Saskatchewan highways. I was traveling nearly every week this past winter and I used the highway hotline like a bible. I also suggested to my client group, of the corporation I work for, to do the same. The entire department of the Corporation has been instructed to utilize this site before heading out on the highway, regardless of the time of year. However, it was frustrating many times, this winter, because the website wasn't always updated in a timely fashion and therefore was not accurate many many times! After calling highway hotlines to ask what their process is for updating their website, they said that sometimes the workers would submit a report after being out on the highway and sometimes they wouldn't. There isn't any standard policy for them to do this. Maybe a standard policy is something the committee would suggest??

I would also like to strongly suggest that the committee review the root causes of the incidents and put the corrective actions in place to address those issues rather than just having "knee jerk reactions".

Thanks for your time and for considering my recommendations. Good luck to the committee!

Don't forget to laugh everyday!

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