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Eugene company recognized for safety achievement *Papé Material Handling Inc. joins SHARP*

(Salem) – Oregon OSHA welcomes Papé Material Handling Inc. as the latest employer in the Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP).

SHARP provides an incentive for Oregon employers to work with their employees to find and correct hazards, develop and implement effective safety and health programs, and continuously improve. The ultimate goal of SHARP is to encourage employers to become self-sufficient in managing workplace safety and health issues. Currently, more than 70 employer locations in Oregon participate in SHARP, in addition to more than 90 facilities that have graduated from the program.

Employing 45 at its Eugene facility, Papé Material Handling provides sales, parts, service, and support for Hyster and Yale forklifts, Ingersoll-Rand telescopic material handlers, Genie aerial personnel lifts, Mariotti narrow aisle lift trucks, CombiLift multi-directional forklifts, and related material handling equipment. The company also maintains one of the West Coast's largest fleets of rental units and mobile service trucks.

“We are very proud of our people and their dedication to safety,” said Terry McCabe, general manager of Papé Material Handling, Eugene. “A safe work environment is part of the Papé culture, and is something we work hard at each and every day.”

Participation in SHARP does not eliminate regulatory enforcement, although SHARP participants do receive a limited exemption from programmed inspections. Employees retain all workplace safety and health rights contained in the Oregon Safe Employment Act. Oregon employers that have been in business for more than one year are eligible to apply for SHARP regardless of size or type of business.

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