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Calling the Class of 1996! (And '97, '98 and '99)

Can you claim to be a CCO "Two-Timer"? If you originally became CCOcertified in 1999 or earlier, and have maintained continuous certification since then, you may have earned the title of a "CCO Two-Timer"! And we have some important news for you. Drop us an email with your name and certification no. and we'll be right back in touch.

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Dear Tara,

Welcome to the New Year and the new look of CCOnline Newsletter! We also have new options; please take a moment to update your preferences by clicking on Update Profile/Email Address at the bottom of this email.

NCCCO Celebrates 10 Years of OSHA Recognition



Ten years ago this month, a group of industry leaders gathered in Washington, DC to witness the signing of an historic agreement between the Occupational Celebrating 10 Years of Official Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Recognition by Federal OSHA and the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators

(NCCCO). "I want to say how much I appreciate what [NCCCO] has done," said then OSHA chief, Charles N. Jeffress. "This kind of certification will help us reduce the number of accidents that occur with cranes."

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CCO Practical Exams Praised by ANSI



The National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) has been commended by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) for the development of its practical examinations. Specifically, the commendation was awarded for NCCCO's development of "inter-

rater reliability measures" for its practical exams.

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Pennsylvania Signs Up For Licensing

As we enter a new year that will most likely see the finalizing of a federal rule requiring crane operators to be certified, 16 states now have their own requirements. Several more will introduce legislation this year.





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Governor, Labor Commissioner Applaud NCCCO



The role of the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) in reducing crane-related accidents and injuries was applauded by West Virginia Governor, Joe Manchin III, at NCCCO's fall meeting.

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NCCCO Participates in CURT Conference

NCCCO participated in the National Conference of the Construction Users Roundtable (CURT), November 10-12, 2008 in Rancho Mirage, CA by way of an exhibit and a presentation (available here for download) titled "High Flying Safety." The presentation takes an indepth look at the aftermath of recent tragic events in New York, Miami, Houston and elsewhere, analyzes the latest state-by-state developments regarding the licensing of operators and ground crew, and outlines the operator and signalperson qualification requirements of OSHA's new Proposed Rule now out for public comment. CURT's fall edition of The Voice magazine features a related article by NCCCO Executive Director, Graham Brent, Crane Safety: Is the Sky Falling?

NJ Workshop Trains Examiners



A combined NCCCO mobile and tower crane Practical Examiner Accreditation Workshop was hosted by IUOE Local 825 this summer, in Dayton, New Jersey. The 22 participants represented nine (9) states, including Alabama, California, Georgia, Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Washington.

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CCO "By The Numbers"

Did you know that NCCCO has administered no less than 365,000 written and practical tests during its 13-year history? Or that our Crane Database contains more than 5,000 different cranes, each with its own CAD test site layout? Check out more CCO certification statistics here.

NCCCO Wants to Hear From You!

NCCCO is interested in your feedback. Do you have a question, comment, idea or concern about CCO national crane operator (Mobile, Tower and Overhead) or the new Signalperson or Rigger certification programs? Drop us an email with your thoughts.