#### MISSION STATEMENT

## GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING Safety Team Charter

The primary objective of the Safety Team is to provide support to enhance the Company's Safety Program. In addition to this primary mission, the Safety Team encourages Employees to participate in the safety process for the betterment of all concerned.

The personal safety and health of each Employee of GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING is of primary importance. The prevention of occupationally-induced injuries and illnesses is our principal purpose. To the greatest degree possible, this Team will provide Employees a voice to management to ensure all mechanical and physical facilities required for personal safety and health are controlled and maintained in keeping with the highest standards. In carrying out its primary mission, the Team is committed to five basic principles:

GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING in conjunction with the Safety Team and all Employees:

- 1. Help to formulate and disseminate policies, practices and procedures that promote health and safety.
- 2. Consult with the Safety Officer on any proposed or actual changes in health and safety policies, practices and procedures proposed by the Team.
- 3. Assist management in the planning of action on occupational health and safety. This will include helping to set priorities to control hazards.
- 4. Act as a problem-solving group to help with the identification and control of hazards.
- 5. Help to resolve health and safety issues.

**Team Members** 

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#### SAFETY TEAM CHARTER

## **Occupational Health and Safety Program**

<b>Purpose:</b> The purpose of this document is to provide a framework for the operation of the
GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING Safety Team. This document will be maintained in
accordance with the provision contained herein. The Safety Officer may be consulted for

**Program Responsibility:** The Safety Team as a competent body is solely responsible for all managerial facets of this charter and has full authority to make the necessary decisions to ensure success of the team.

## **Program Content**

The GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING Safety Team Charter will include, but is not limited to the following:

1. Safety Team Charter Review.

Date of Last Revision:

guidance concerning any facet of the program.

- 2. Charter for the GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING Safety Team.
- 3. Safety Team Composition.
- 4. Principal Responsibilities.
- 5. Meeting Ground Rules.
- 6. Sub team Responsibilities.
- 7. Affected Facilities.

#### **FORWARD**

Employees must be empowered to plan, organize, coordinate and, most importantly, participate in the safety process. By doing so improvement in safety at our company is both controllable and measurable. You cannot buy a program and expect it to work in every department; safety is an internal process that is controlled from the outside.

Every employee is an equal partner in the safety process. There is no boss-subordinate relationship, no rank when is comes to safety. You either have a safe attitude or you do not, and since your behavior is dictated by your attitude, safety must be a part of work not merely a requirement of work. Each employee has unique skills to bring to the Safety Team's mutually shared goal of working in a safe manner.

Empowering employees to make more decisions has positive results. Employees come to work thinking of working safely and managers have more time to work other issues, confident that safety issues are being handled in a quality manner by the Safety Team.

The punitive aspects of safety regulations are de-emphasized and replaced by a positive, lessons-learned approach.

A strong emphasis is placed on a trusting relationship between management and employees.

Team membership should be on a rotating basis, involving as many people in the problem solving process as possible. The establishment of the team complete, the next item on the agenda is the development of a system that will clearly communicate, to the entire company, the mission, vision, goals and objectives of the team when it comes to addressing workplace safety.

### 1. Safety Team Charter Review. The Safety Team will review and evaluate this document:

- 1.1 On an annual basis.
- 1.2 When changes occur to 29 CFR that prompt a revision.
- 1.3 When changes occur to any related regulatory document that prompts a revision of this document.
- 1.4 When GRAY & SONIMARYLAND PAVING facility operational changes occur that require a revision of this document.
- 1.5 When an accident, near miss, or any mishap occurs that suggests that this procedure should be reviewed.

### 2. Charter for the GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING Safety Team.

This safety team will encourage safety awareness among all employees. It will be established to monitor safety performance, safety inspections, and aid the Safety Officer in administering the company safety program. The Team is charged to:

- Reduce injuries and save lives.
- Constantly be aware of conditions in all work areas that can produce injuries.
- Aid the company in complying with all laws pertaining to safety.
- Ensure that no employee is required to work at a job that is not safe or healthful.
- Place the safety and health of each Employee in a position of primary importance.
- Aid in the prevention of occupationally-induced injuries and illnesses.
- Aid management in providing all mechanical and physical facilities required for personal safety and health in keeping with the highest standards.

- Maintain a safety and health program conforming to the best management practices of organizations of this type.
- Establish a program that instills the proper attitudes toward injury and illness prevention not only on the part of Employees, but also between each
- Employee and his or her co-workers.
- Ultimately achieve a safety program maintained in the best interest of all concerned.

# 3. Safety Team Composition.

3.1 Composition. The company safety team will be comprised of Employees of GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING. The make-up of the team will consist of the following:

### **Safety Team**

<u>Title</u>	<u>Member</u>
Chairman	
Vice Chairman	
Member	

- **4. Principal Responsibilities.** The principal responsibilities of the company safety team will be as follows:
  - 4.1 Assemble on a monthly basis to conduct safety meetings.
  - 4.2 Conduct and oversee departmental safety inspections.
  - 4.3 Review accident/injury reports and discuss corrective actions.

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- 4.5 Discuss and report on unfinished business from previous meetings.
- 4.6 Discuss new business.
- 4.7 Discuss old business.
- 4.8 Maintain appropriate records of activities.
- 4.9 The Safety Officer will be present to make notations of the meeting and offer advice. He will track open safety items to conclusion. He will also act as chairman in the absence of the designated chairman or vice chairman.
- **5. Meeting Ground Rules.** Company Safety Team meetings will be conducted in such a manner as to foster a productive work environment. The principal goal being to determine solutions to safety issues affecting our employees. The following ground rules apply.
  - 3.1 Composition. The company safety team will be comprised of Employees of GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING. The make-up of the team will consist of the following:
- **5. Meeting Ground Rules.** Company Safety Team meetings will be conducted in such a manner as to foster a productive work environment. The principal goal being to determine solutions to safety issues affecting our employees. The following ground
  - 5.1 A minute taker will be selected to serve on a rotating basis from assigned team members.
  - 5.2 Distribution of Minutes. Minutes will be distributed within (5) working days to the following:

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5.3 Discussion time limits. In order to establish and maintain a productive course of action on individual safety issues, discussion time limits will be established and adhered

- to. Discussion time limits on each safety topic will be typically kept to a (10) minute time limit per safety issue.
- 5.4 Sub team actions. Where an issue cannot be resolved in a reasonable amount of time, a sub team (composed of at least two people) will be selected and the issue turned over to the sub team for investigation and development of recommendations. Sub team actions will be classified as "old business" and integrated into the next Safety Team Meeting as appropriate.
- 5.4.1 Sub team suspense's. Sub teams will be given a suspense date by the Safety Team to determine courses of action. Typically suspense's will be carried to the next scheduled Safety Team meeting. Additional time may be awarded as required.
- 5.5 Tracking of old business. Old business will be tracked to resolution. Issues will be resolved as soon as possible. Where old business is carried beyond a reasonable .amount of time (determined by the hazards involved and the complexity of the issue) the chairman will upgrade the priority of the issue and submit it to company management for resolution.
- 5.6 Prioritization of Safety Issues. Safety Issues will be prioritized according to the following rating system. Where it is unclear where a safety issue should be rated, the next higher classification will be assumed.
  - **Priority 1 Hazard.** The most serious type of unsafe condition or unsafe work practice that could cause loss of life, permanent disability, the loss of a body part (amputation or crippling injury), or extensive loss of structure, equipment, or material.
  - **Priority 2 Hazard.** Unsafe condition or work practice that could cause serious injury, industrial illness, or disruptive property damage.
  - **Priority 3 Hazard.** Unsafe condition or work practice that might cause a recordable injury or industrial illness or non-disruptive property damage.
  - **Priority 4 Hazard.** Minor condition, a housekeeping item or unsafe work practice infraction with little likelihood of injury or illness other than perhaps a first-aid case.
- **6. Sub team Responsibilities.** Sub teams will be established based on the experience, expertise, responsibilities and capabilities of the members selected. Sub teams are not intended to be a decision making body. Sub teams are charged with determining possible courses of action for the resolution of safety issues not resolved during regular Safety Team Meetings. Sub team findings will be presented to the Safety Team for review and determination. Sub teams will:
  - 6.1 Provide recommendations for resolution by the next scheduled Safety Team Meeting or by a previously determined date.
  - 6.2 Not be afforded decision making power for any safety issue.

- 6.3 Present recommended courses of action to the Safety Team based on employee safety as a first priority. Safety issue resolution will be determined based on the following decision tier
  - 6.3.1 Engineering controls will be considered as a first priority.
  - 6.3.2 Administrative controls will considered as a second priority.
  - 6.3.3 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be considered as a third and last priority.

### 7. Affected Facilities.

7.1 This program covers the following GRAY & SON/MARYLAND PAVING faci	lities
GRAY & SON SHOP & FIELD WORK	
MARYLAND PAVING DRIVERS, SHOPS & PLANTS	

7.1 .1 Facility safety team representatives. Company safety team representatives will be designated at each location. The following positions will be designated as the safety team representative at each facility:

#### FACILITY SAFETY TEAM REPRESENTATIVES

TITLE	NAME	LOCATION

7.1.2 Individual facility requirements. The company safety representative at each location will ensure that the provisions of this instruction are implemented and maintained. The Company Safety Officer will be consulted as required.