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IPE opposes TSSA Risk Task Group Path 1-2 and Alternate Rules in Ontario

To date, work on Path 1 has progressed only as far as presenting a basic concept of the risk equation and the required modifiers that bring it close to the current “prescriptive” model at a First Class Engineers Certificate Level.

Path 2 has seen the most work as it now has a complete guide available to lead any owner through the process required to make an application to the TSSA. Despite various public pronouncements regarding the approval of Path 2 RSMP, it did not receive acceptance and approval of the TSSA Operating Engineers Advisory Council (OEAC) and through the public consultation TSSA industry stake holders survey.

The Ontario Area (IPE) has written a letter to the Minister of Government and Consumer Services, Honorable Lisa Thompson, requesting a pause to any proceedings on the Alternate Rules Path 1 and 2 prepared by the Technical Standards & Safety Authority (TSSA).

The National Institute of Power Engineers is overly concerned about the manner and speed by which the TSSA is moving forward with its authority not aligning with the Federal vision respecting the Labour Mobility act 2008. Path 1 & 2 risk-based models as an “Alternate Rule” to the existing Operating Engineers Regulation O. Reg 219/01 will undermine the safe operation of all registered plants/facilities, infringing on the current exceptional Public safety record in Ontario.

Furthermore, this is compounded by the fact that these actions are taking place during a global pandemic where most of the administration staff, a portion of the inspection services and the whole examination services have been laid off with a mandate of ensuring public safety.

The following links provide addition information about the issues.

Operating Engineer Regulatory Review Findings & Recommendations:

<https://www.ontariocanada.com/registry/showAttachment.do?postingId=24645&attachmentId=34771>

Institute of Power Engineers, Ontario Area: <http://www.ipe.org/#>

TSSA Advisory Council: <https://www.tssa.org/en/operating-engineers/advisory-council.aspx>

TSSA Consultation Page: <https://engagetssa.org/>

Petition against Path 2: <http://chng.it/HRZHNhMq>

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