



March 23, 2018

To: All Local Union Presidents, Recording Secretaries and  
Financial Secretaries – Region 4, UAW

Re: International UAW Health and Safety Conference – June 3-8, 2018

Greetings:

The 2018 UAW Health and Safety Conference will be held at the UAW Walter and May Reuther Family Education Center beginning Sunday June 3 through Friday, June 8, 2018. This Conference will provide significant education and training needed by Health and Safety representatives, Health and Safety Committee members and local union representatives that have health and safety responsibilities. New curriculum this year includes courses offered through the OSHA Training Institute Education Center (OTIEC). These include:

- Accident Investigation # 7505
- Understanding OSHA's Permit Required Confined Space Standard # 7300
- Lockout / Tagout # 7115
- Transitioning to Safer Chemicals # 7225
- Health Hazard Awareness # 7205
- Introduction to Safety and Health Management # 7500
- Recordkeeping Rule Seminar # 7845

Credits earned taking these courses can be applied towards the Health and Safety "Specialist" and "Professional" credentials issued by the Great Lakes OTIEC. Continuing Education Credits (CEUs) will also be issued for those maintaining professional credentials.

**Registration:** The conference registration will be completed on-line through the Local Union Information System (LUIS). For those not registered on LUIS, please use the following link to register: <https://hs.uaw.org>. Delegates will sign in using the user name: **hs2018** and use the password: **prevention**. The website will open for registration on April 3, 2018, all registrations must be completed no later than Friday, May 18, 2018. **Absolutely, no late registrations will be excepted this year. Cancellations must be received no later than Friday, May 25, 2018, to qualify for a refund of the registration fees.** If you have any questions regarding the registration process, please email Matthew Uptmor at [muptmor@uaw.net](mailto:muptmor@uaw.net) or contact Debbie Simpson at 313-926-5563.

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The Conference Registration fee is \$650 per delegate. Checks should be made payable to the **International Union, UAW**. It is suggested that the local generate a single check to cover the registration fees for its delegates. Send payment to the UAW Health & Safety Department no later than May 18, 2018 to:

*UAW Health & Safety Department  
c/o Debbie Simpson  
8000 East Jefferson Ave  
Detroit, MI 48214*

**Lodging:** We anticipate a large conference; therefore, facilities do not permit the accommodation of spouses. Also, there are no private rooms. Delegates are housed two delegates per student unit or three per family unit. The local unions are responsible for lost time and registration fees for all delegates. There are no provisions for lost time reimbursements connected with the conference.

**Transportation:** Transportation is provided for delegates whose worksites are over 500 miles from the UAW Family Education Center. For those over 500 miles one-way, options are flying or driving. All airline tickets will be purchased through the travel agents used by Black Lake. Participants who fly will be required to pay for their tickets in advance. They must use the following link <http://www.cvent.com/d/ktqx2p> to make their flight arrangements. Upon completion of the program, airline tickets will be processed for reimbursement, less \$75 per delegate.

**If Delegates are flying:** To assure maximum savings on flight arrangements, delegates will be required to arrive in Detroit on Saturday, June 2, 2018. The enclosed Airline Registration online process must be completed (including a cell phone contact number) and submitted to the UAW Family Education Center no later than Tuesday, May 1, 2018. Overnight lodging will be provided at the Courtyard Marriott Airport Hotel, 30653 Flynn Drive, Romulus, Michigan 48174, 734-721-3200. Delegates will depart the hotel on Sunday morning, June 3, 2018 at 9 a.m. via charter buses for the trip to Black Lake.

**If Delegates are driving:** A driver whose automobile is driven to the Center will receive the mileage amount permitted by the driver's local union by-laws, up to the IRS authorized rate. Hotel accommodations are as follows:

- One night for 500 miles or more
- Two nights for 1,000 miles or more

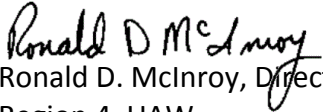
Delegates from the same local will be expected to travel in a single car whenever possible. Delegates driving to the Center should plan on arriving between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 3, 2018. The Conference will start promptly at 5 p.m. Sunday in the Main Lecture Hall. All delegates are expected to attend.

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**Special FEC Delegates:** The International Union will provide housing and food at the Family Education Center for five delegates from our region whose local unions are selected to receive financial support to send delegates to the Health and Safety Conference. Locals selected for financial assistance are required to pay a special registration fee of \$137.50. To be considered for financial assistance, the Local Union President must send a request to me, along with a copy of the last three monthly financial statements. Only truly needy locals will be considered; and those approved will receive a confirmation letter from me.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

In solidarity,

  
Ronald D. McInroy, Director  
Region 4, UAW

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Enclosure(s)  
cc: Region 4 Staff