

Bridge Painting Company Cited for Alleged Willful, Serious Violations Issued \$225,000 in Proposed Penalties

An investigation opened in July 2008 resulted in citations alleging failure to have proper carbon monoxide monitoring devices, failure to provide personal protective clothing and ensure that workers used it, and failure to provide required hygiene facilities and ensure that workers conducted required hygiene practices after possible exposure to lead and other hazardous materials. Other alleged infractions include failure to provide US Coast Guard-approved life jackets and to have a lifesaving skiff immediately available at locations where employees were working over or adjacent to water. Other citations were issued for alleged failure to provide proper fall protection and equipment for employees working on scaffolding, failure to maintain a safety and health program, failure to provide a required training program prior to employees being exposed to lead and failure to have a competent person conduct regular inspections of the jobsite.

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