U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration 6393 Oak Tree Blvd Suite 203 Independence, OH 44131



02/24/2022

Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction and its successors 12023 Kinsley Hartville, OH 44632

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Sincerely,

Howard B Eberts
Area Director

Enclosures

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

To:

Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction and its successors 12023 Kinsley Hartville, OH 44632

Inspection Site: 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd Stow, OH 44224

Inspection Number: 1566531

Inspection Date(s): 12/02/2021 - 12/02/2021

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022

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Penalty Payment – Penalties are due within 15 working days of receipt of this notification unless contested. (See the enclosed booklet and the additional information provided related to the Debt Collection Act of 1982.) Make your check or money order payable to "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate the Inspection Number on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically at www.pay.gov. At the top of the pay.gov homepage, type "**OSHA**" in the Search field and select Search. From **OSHA Penalty Payment Form** search result, select Continue. The direct link is:

https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334

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Employer Discrimination Unlawful – The law prohibits discrimination by an employer against an

employee for filing a complaint or for exercising any rights under this Act. An employee who believes that he/she has been discriminated against may file a complaint no later than 30 days after the discrimination occurred with the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above.

Employer Rights and Responsibilities – The enclosed booklet (OSHA 3000) outlines additional employer rights and responsibilities and should be read in conjunction with this notification.

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NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

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02/24/2022. The conference will be held by telephone or at the OSHA office	located at 6393	
Oak Tree Blvd, Suite 203, Independence, OH 44131 on	at	
. Employees and/or representatives of employees have a right to attend an		
informal conference		

CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION WORKSHEET

Inspection Number: 1566531

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, OH 44224

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022

List the specific method of correction for each item on this citation in this package that does not read "Corrected During Inspection" and return to: U.S. Department of Labor – Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 6393 Oak Tree Blvd, Suite 203, Independence, OH 44131.

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I certify that the information contained in the representatives have been informed of the a	nis document is accurate and that the affected employees and their abatement.
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Typed or Printed Name	Title

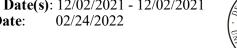
NOTE: 29 USC 666(g) whoever knowingly makes any false statements, representation or certification in any application, record, plan or other documents filed or required to be maintained pursuant to the Act shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment of not more than 6 months or both.

POSTING: A copy of completed Corrective Action Worksheet should be posted for employee review

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction **Inspection Site:** 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, OH 44224

Type of Violation: Willful - Serious Citation 1 Item 1

29 CFR 1926.102(a)(1): The employer shall ensure that each affected employee uses appropriate eye or face protection when exposed to eye or face hazards from flying particles, molten metal, liquid chemicals, acids or caustic liquids, chemical gases or vapors, or potentially injurious light radiation.

The employer does not protect each employee from struck-by hazards such as potential eye or face injury from flying particles while installing roofing material with air driven nail guns. This most recently occurred on December 2, 2021, during the installation of roofing material at a job site located at 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, Ohio 44224; the employer did not ensure employees working on the roof of a single family home were protected from possible danger of eye injury from impact, or from flying objects from the employees installing roofing material with air driven nail guns.

To abate this hazard in the future, the employer must ensure employees are provided with, and required to use, eye and face protection in accordance with this standard. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1903.19, the employer must submit documents describing the steps they are taking to ensure compliance.

Ivan Lowky, D.B.A. ILS Construction was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1926.102(a)(1), which was contained in OSHA Inspection Number 1356354, Citation Number 03, Item Number 01, and was affirmed as a final order on January 7, 2019, with respect to a workplace located at 6595 Brecksville Rd., Independence, Ohio.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: March 22, 2022 \$54,694.00 Proposed Penalty:

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

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Inspection Date(s): 12/02/2021 - 12/02/2021

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022



Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, OH 44224

Citation 1 Item 2 Type of Violation: **Willful - Serious**

29 CFR 1926.501(b)(13): "Residential construction." Each employee engaged in residential construction activities 6 feet (1.8 m) or more above lower levels shall be protected by guardrail systems, safety net system, or personal fall arrest system unless another provision in paragraph (b) of this section provides for an alternative fall protection measure. Exception: When the employer can demonstrate that it is infeasible or creates a greater hazard to use these systems, the employer shall develop and implement a fall protection plan which meets the requirements of paragraph (k) of 1926.502.

The employer does not protect each employee from fall hazards while performing roofing activities on residential structures with unprotected sides and edges at height of approximately 9.4 feet above the ground by the use of guard rail systems, safety net systems, and or personal fall arrest systems. This most recently occurred on December 2, 2021, during the installation of roofing material at a job site located at 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, Ohio 44224; the employer did not ensure that all employees working on the roof of a single family home were protected from a fall of approximately 9.4 feet by utilizing a fall protection system.

To abate this hazard in the future, the employer must ensure employees are provided with, and required to use, fall protection in accordance with this standard, and that no employees are permitted to work from elevations six (6) feet of greater without being provided fall protection systems or devices. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1903.19, the employer must submit documents describing the steps they are taking to ensure compliance, including an explanation of how these steps protect its employees from fall hazards.

Ivan Lowky, D.B.A. ILS Construction was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1926.501(b)(13), which was contained in OSHA Inspection Number 1501432, Citation Number 02, Item Number 02, and was affirmed as a final order on March 23, 2021, with respect to a workplace located at 173 Applegrove St. NE, Canton, Ohio.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: Proposed Penalty:

March 22, 2022 \$63,812.00

See pages 1 through 4 of this Citation and Notification of Penalty for information on employer and employee rights and responsibilities.

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

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Inspection Date(s): 12/02/2021 - 12/02/2021

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022



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Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, OH 44224

<u>Citation 2 Item 1</u> Type of Violation: **Repeat - Serious**

29 CFR 1926.100(a): Employees working in areas where there is a possible danger of head injury from impact, or from falling or flying objects, or from electrical shock and burns, shall be protected by protective helmets.

The employer does not protect each employee from struck-by hazards such as possible head injuries from falling and or flying debris from above. This most recently occurred on December 2, 2021, at a work-site located next to 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, Ohio 44224; during the installation of roofing material, the employer did not ensure employees working on the ground were protected from possible danger of head injury from impact, or from falling or flying objects, falling debris from working surfaces of heights approximately 9.4 feet.

ILS Construction was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard (1926.100(a) Protective Helmets), which was contained in OSHA inspection number 1356354, citation number 01, item number 01 and was affirmed as a final order on 1/7/2019, with respect to a workplace located at 6595 Brecksville Rd., Independence, Ohio.

To abate this hazard in the future, the employer must ensure employees are provided with head protection as required by this standard. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1903.19, the employer must submit documents describing the steps they are taking to ensure compliance.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: March 22, 2022 Proposed Penalty: \$10,939.00

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, OH 44224

<u>Citation 2 Item 2</u> Type of Violation: **Repeat - Serious**

29 CFR 1926.503(a)(1):The employer shall provide a training program for each employee who might be exposed to fall hazards. The program shall enable each employee to recognize the hazards of falling and shall train each employee in the procedures to be followed in order to minimize these hazards.

The employer does not provide a training program or train each employee who is exposed to fall hazards while performing roofing work to recognize the hazards of falling and the procedures to minimize those hazards. This most recently occurred on December 2, 2021 at a construction site located at 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, Ohio 44224. Employees were exposed to fall hazards of 9.4 feet or greater from the roof to the ground while removing and installing roofing material on a residential structure.

To abate this hazard in the future, the employer must ensure employees are provided with a fall hazard training program that enables each employee to recognize fall hazards and the procedures to minimize fall hazards in accordance with this standard, and that no employees are permitted to work from elevations six (6) feet of greater without being provided fall protection systems or devices. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1903.19, the employer must submit documents describing the steps they are taking to ensure compliance, including an explanation of how these steps protect its employees from fall hazards.

Ivan Lowky DBA ILS Construction was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard (1926.503(a)(1) Training), which was contained in OSHA inspection number 1403087, citation number 01, item number 01 and was affirmed as a final order on 10/7/2019, with respect to a workplace located at 4800 Cleague Rd, NORTH OLMSTED, OH 44070.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

Proposed Penalty:

March 22, 2022

\$12,762.00

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Inspection Number: 1566531

Inspection Date(s): 12/02/2021 - 12/02/2021

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022



Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, OH 44224

<u>Citation 2 Item 3</u> Type of Violation: **Repeat - Serious**

29 CFR 1926.1053(b)(1): When portable ladders are used for access to an upper landing surface, the ladder side rails shall extend at least 3 feet (.9 m) above the upper landing surface to which the ladder is used to gain access; or, when such an extension is not possible because of the ladder's length, then the ladder shall be secured at its top to a rigid support that will not deflect, and a grasping device, such as a grabrail, shall be provided to assist employees in mounting and dismounting the ladder. In no case shall the extension be such that ladder deflection under a load would, by itself, cause the ladder to slip off its support.

The employer does not protect each employee from fall hazards while accessing and or egressing on residential structures with unprotected sides and edges at height of approximately 9.4 feet above the ground by ensuring that portable ladders are extended 3 feet above the upper landing surface or having a grasping device, such as a grab rail to assist employees in mounting and dismounting the ladder. This most recently occurred on December 2, 2021 at the job site located at 4694 Wyoga Lake Rd, Stow, Ohio 44224; during the installation of roofing material on a residential roof, the employer did not ensure portable ladders extended 3 feet above the upper landing surface and or have a grab rail to assist in the mounting and or dismounting of the portable ladder.

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ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

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INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

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Issuance Date: 02/24/2022

Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number: 1566531

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Citation 2 Item 1, Repeat - Serious	\$10,939.00
Citation 2 Item 2, Repeat - Serious	\$12,762.00
Citation 2 Item 3, Repeat - Serious	\$12,762.00

TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES:

\$154,969.00

To avoid additional charges, please remit payment promptly to this Area Office for the total amount of the uncontested penalties summarized above. Make your check or money order payable to: "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate OSHA's Inspection Number (indicated above) on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically at www.pay.gov. At the top of the pay.gov homepage, type "**OSHA**" in the Search field and select Search. From the **OSHA Penalty Payment Form** search result, select Continue. The direct link is: https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334. You will be required to enter

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Pursuant to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-365) and regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 20), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is required to assess interest, delinquent charges, and administrative costs for the collection of delinquent penalty debts for violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

<u>Interest</u>: Interest charges will be assessed at an annual rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on all penalty debt amounts not paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the date on which the debt amount becomes due and payable (penalty due date). The current interest rate is one percent (1%). Interest will accrue from the date on which the penalty amounts (as proposed or adjusted) become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (that is, 15 working days from your receipt of the Citation and Notification of Penalty), unless you file a notice of contest. Interest charges will be waived if the full amount owed is paid within 30 calendar days of the final order.

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Administrative Costs: Agencies of the Department of Labor are required to assess additional charges for the recovery of delinquent debts. These additional charges are administrative costs incurred by the Agency in its attempt to collect an unpaid debt. Administrative costs will be assessed for demand letters sent in an attempt to collect the unpaid debt.

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Howard B Eberts	Date

Area Director

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

To:

Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction and its successors 12023 Kinsley Dr. Hartville, OH 44632

Inspection Site: 6753 State Road Parma, OH 44134

Inspection Number: 1560443

Inspection Date(s): 10/27/2021 - 10/27/2021

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022

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Right to Contest — You have the right to contest this Citation and Notification of Penalty. You may contest all citation items or only individual items. You may also contest proposed penalties and/or abatement dates without contesting the underlying violations. <u>Unless you inform the Area Director in writing that you intend to contest the citation(s) and/or proposed penalty(ies) within 15 working days after receipt, the citation(s) and the proposed penalty(ies) will become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission and may not be reviewed by any court or agency.</u>

Penalty Payment – Penalties are due within 15 working days of receipt of this notification unless contested. (See the enclosed booklet and the additional information provided related to the Debt Collection Act of 1982.) Make your check or money order payable to "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate the Inspection Number on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically at www.pay.gov. At the top of the pay.gov homepage, type "**OSHA**" in the Search field and select Search. From **OSHA Penalty Payment Form** search result, select Continue. The direct link is:

https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334

You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$25,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

OSHA does not agree to any restrictions or conditions or endorsements put on any check, money order, or electronic payment for less than the full amount due, and will process the payments as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

Notification of Corrective Action – For each violation which you do not contest, you must provide *abatement certification* to the Area Director of the OSHA office issuing the citation and identified above. This abatement certification is to be provided by letter within 10 calendar days after each abatement date. Abatement certification includes the date and method of abatement. If the citation indicates that the violation was corrected during the inspection, no abatement certification is required for that item. The abatement certification letter must be posted at the location where the violation appeared and the corrective action took place or employees must otherwise be effectively informed about abatement activities. A sample abatement certification letter is enclosed with this Citation. In addition, where the citation indicates that *abatement documentation* is necessary, evidence of the purchase or repair of equipment, photographs or video, receipts, training records, etc., verifying that abatement has occurred is required to be provided to the Area Director.

Employer Discrimination Unlawful – The law prohibits discrimination by an employer against an

employee for filing a complaint or for exercising any rights under this Act. An employee who believes that he/she has been discriminated against may file a complaint no later than 30 days after the discrimination occurred with the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above.

Employer Rights and Responsibilities – The enclosed booklet (OSHA 3000) outlines additional employer rights and responsibilities and should be read in conjunction with this notification.

Notice to Employees – The law gives an employee or his/her representative the opportunity to object to any abatement date set for a violation if he/she believes the date to be unreasonable. The contest must be mailed to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above and postmarked within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) of the receipt by the employer of this Citation and Notification of Penalty.

Inspection Activity Data – You should be aware that OSHA publishes information on its inspection and citation activity on the Internet under the provisions of the Electronic Freedom of Information Act. The information related to these alleged violations will be posted when our system indicates that you have received this citation. You are encouraged to review the information concerning your establishment at www.osha.gov. If you have any dispute with the accuracy of the information displayed, please contact this office.



NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

An informal conference has been scheduled with OSHA to discuss the citatio	n(s) issued on	
02/24/2022. The conference will be held by telephone or at the OSHA office	located at 6393	
Oak Tree Blvd, Suite 203, Independence, OH 44131 on	at	
. Employees and/or representatives of employees have a right to attend an		
informal conference		

CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION WORKSHEET

Inspection Number: 1560443

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 6753 State Road, Parma, OH 44134

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022

List the specific method of correction for each item on this citation in this package that does not read "Corrected During Inspection" and return to: U.S. Department of Labor – Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 6393 Oak Tree Blvd, Suite 203, Independence, OH 44131.

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I certify that the information contained in this representatives have been informed of the aba	s document is accurate and that the affected employees and their atement.
Signature	Date
Typed or Printed Name	Title

NOTE: 29 USC 666(g) whoever knowingly makes any false statements, representation or certification in any application, record, plan or other documents filed or required to be maintained pursuant to the Act shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment of not more than 6 months or both.

POSTING: A copy of completed Corrective Action Worksheet should be posted for employee review

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Inspection Number: 1560443

Inspection Date(s): 10/27/2021 - 10/27/2021

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022



Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 6753 State Road, Parma, OH 44134

<u>Citation 1 Item 1</u> Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1926.1051(a): A stairway or ladder shall be provided at all personnel points of access where there is a break in elevation of 19 inches (48 cm) or more, and no ramp, runway, sloped embankment, or personnel hoist is provided.

The employer does not provide a stairway, ladder, ramp, etc., for the personnel points of access where there is a break in the elevation greater than 19 inches. This most recently occurred on October 27, 2021, at a construction site located at 6753 State Road, Parma, Ohio. Employees were exposed to fall hazards of approximately 39 inches while traversing between an upper and lower roof while removing and installing roofing material on a commercial building.

To abate this hazard in the future, the employer must ensure employees are provided with a stairway, ladder, ramp, etc., for all points of access where there is a break in elevation greater than 19 inches. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1903.19, the employer must submit documents describing the steps they are taking to ensure compliance, including an explanation of how these steps protect its employees from fall hazards.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: March 22, 2022 Proposed Penalty: \$5,470.00

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Inspection Number: 1560443

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 6753 State Road, Parma, OH 44134

Citation 2 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Willful - Serious**

29 CFR 1926.501(b)(11): "Steep roofs." Each employee on a steep roof with unprotected sides and edges 6 feet (1.8 m) or more above lower levels shall be protected from falling by guardrail systems with toeboards, safety net systems, or personal fall arrest systems.

The employer does not protect each employee from fall hazards while performing roofing work activities on steep roofs with unprotected sides and edges at heights of 10 feet or greater above the ground, by the use of guard rail systems, safety net systems, and or personal fall arrest systems. This most recently occurred on October 27, 2021, at a construction site located at 6753 State Road, Parma, Ohio. Employees were exposed to fall hazards of 10 feet or greater from the roof to the ground while removing and installing roofing material on a commercial building with roof pitches of 6 in 12 and 5 in 12. Employees were not protected from fall hazards by the use of a guardrail systems, safety net systems, and/or personal fall arrest systems.

To abate this hazard in the future, the employer must ensure employees are provided with, and required to use, fall protection in accordance with this standard, and that no employees are permitted to work from elevations six (6) feet of greater without being provided fall protection systems or devices. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1903.19, the employer must submit documents describing the steps they are taking to ensure compliance, including an explanation of how these steps protect its employees from fall hazards.

ILS Construction was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard (1926.501(b)(13) fall protection residential construction) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 1501432, citation number 02, item number 02 and was affirmed as a final order on 3/23/2021 with a work location of 173 Applegrove St NE, Canton, Ohio.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: March 22, 2022 Proposed Penalty: \$63,812.00

See pages 1 through 4 of this Citation and Notification of Penalty for information on employer and employee rights and responsibilities.

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Inspection Number: 1560443

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 6753 State Road, Parma, OH 44134

<u>Citation 3 Item 1</u> Type of Violation: **Repeat - Serious**

29 CFR 1926.503(a)(1):The employer shall provide a training program for each employee who might be exposed to fall hazards. The program shall enable each employee to recognize the hazards of falling and shall train each employee in the procedures to be followed in order to minimize these hazards.

The employer does not provide a training program or train each employee who is exposed to fall hazards while performing roofing work to recognize the hazards of falling and the procedures to minimize those hazards. This most recently occurred on October 27, 2021, at a construction site located at 6753 State Road, Parma, Ohio. Employees were exposed to fall hazards of 10 feet or greater from the roof to the ground while removing and installing roofing material on a commercial building.

To abate this hazard in the future, the employer must ensure employees are provided with a fall hazard training program that enables each employee to recognize fall hazards and the procedures to minimize fall hazards in accordance with this standard, and that no employees are permitted to work from elevations six (6) feet of greater without being provided fall protection systems or devices. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1903.19, the employer must submit documents describing the steps they are taking to ensure compliance, including an explanation of how these steps protect its employees from fall hazards.

Ivan Lowky, D.B.A. ILS Construction was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1926.503(a)(1), which was contained in OSHA Inspection Number 1403087, Citation Number 01, Item Number 01, and was affirmed as a final order on October 7, 2019, with respect to a workplace located at 4800 Clague Road, North Olmsted, Ohio

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

Proposed Penalty:

March 22, 2022

\$12,762.00

Howard B Eberts
Area Director

U.S. Department of Labor

Occupational Safety and Health Administration 6393 Oak Tree Blvd Suite 203 Independence, OH 44131



INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

Company Name: Ivan Lowky, dba ILS Construction Inspection Site: 6753 State Road, Parma, OH 44134

Issuance Date: 02/24/2022

Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number: 1560443

Citation 1 Item 1, Serious \$5,470.00 Citation 2 Item 1, Willful - Serious \$63,812.00 Citation 3 Item 1, Repeat - Serious \$12,762.00

TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES:

\$82,044.00

To avoid additional charges, please remit payment promptly to this Area Office for the total amount of the uncontested penalties summarized above. Make your check or money order payable to: "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate OSHA's Inspection Number (indicated above) on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically at www.pay.gov. At the top of the pay.gov homepage, type "OSHA" in the Search field and select Search. From the OSHA Penalty Payment Form search result, select Continue. The direct link is: https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334. You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$25,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

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If a personal check is issued, it will be converted into an electronic fund transfer (EFT). This means that our bank will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will then usually occur within 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement. You will not receive your original check back. The bank will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds or closed account, the bank will attempt to make the transfer up to two times.

Pursuant to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-365) and regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 20), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is required to assess interest, delinquent charges, and administrative costs for the collection of delinquent penalty debts for violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

<u>Interest</u>: Interest charges will be assessed at an annual rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on all penalty debt amounts not paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the date on which the debt amount becomes due and payable (penalty due date). The current interest rate is one percent (1%). Interest will accrue from the date on which the penalty amounts (as proposed or adjusted) become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (that is, 15 working days from your receipt of the Citation and Notification of Penalty), unless you file a notice of contest. Interest charges will be waived if the full amount owed is paid within 30 calendar days of the final order.

<u>Delinquent Charges</u>: A debt is considered delinquent if it has not been paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the penalty due date or if a satisfactory payment arrangement has not been made. If the debt remains delinquent for more than 90 calendar days, a delinquent charge of six percent (6%) per annum will be assessed accruing from the date that the debt became delinquent.

Administrative Costs: Agencies of the Department of Labor are required to assess additional charges for the recovery of delinquent debts. These additional charges are administrative costs incurred by the Agency in its attempt to collect an unpaid debt. Administrative costs will be assessed for demand letters sent in an attempt to collect the unpaid debt.

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Area Director