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### **U.S. Department of Labor**

Occupational Safety and Health Administration 100 N. Broadway Suite 470 Wichita, KS 67202 Phone: (316) 269-6644 Fax: (316) 269-6185



#### June 28, 2023

#### Dear Alan Rupe,

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TODD Digitally signed by TODD UNDERWOOD Date: 2023.06.28 12:20:12 -05'00' Todd Underwood, Area Director

> Your Citation Summary Precision Plumbing LLC Inspection Number: 1642689

Total Amount Due: \$2679.00

Payment Due Date:

### 15 working days after receipt of this letter

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Total Number of Violations: 1

Your First Correction Deadline is: 07/25/23

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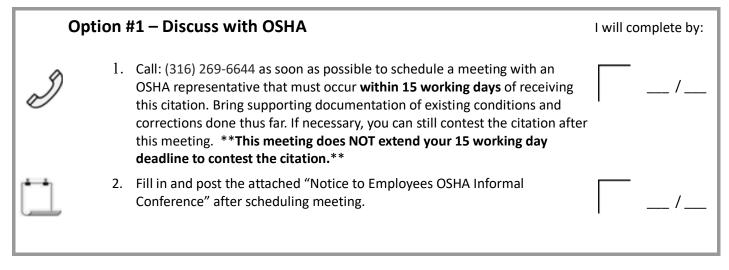
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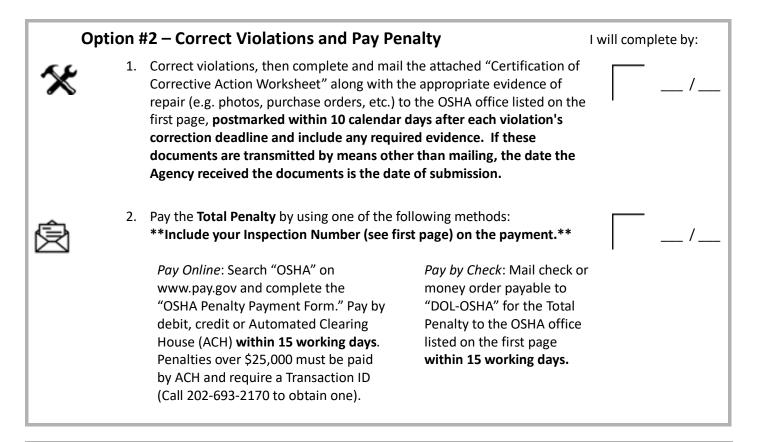
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To: Precision Plumbing LLC and its successors 104 N Main ST Cheney, KS 67025

#### **Inspection Site:** 730 E. Magnolia St. Salina, KS 67401

Inspection Number: 1642689 Inspection Date(s): 01/10/2023 - 01/10/2023 Issuance Date: 06/28/2023

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### **CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION WORKSHEET**

**Inspection Number: 1642689** 

Company Name: Precision Plumbing LLC
Inspection Site: 730 E. Magnolia St., Salina, KS 67401
Issuance Date: 06/28/2023

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, 100 N. Broadway, Suite 470, Wichita, KS 67202.

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Signature	Date	_
Typed or Printed Name	Title	_

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Inspection Number: 1642689 Inspection Date(s): 01/10/2023 - 01/10/2023 Issuance Date: 06/28/2023



### **<u>Citation and Notification of Penalty</u>**

**Company Name: Precision Plumbing LLC Inspection Site:** 730 E. Magnolia St., Salina, KS 67401

The alleged violations below have been grouped because they involve similar or related hazards that may increase the potential for injury or illness.

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

29 CFR 1910.1200(e)(1): The employer did not develop, implement, and/or maintain at the workplace a written hazard communication program which describes how the criteria specified in 29 CFR 1910.1200(f), (g), and (h) will be met:

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Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: Proposed Penalty: July 25, 2023 \$2,679.00

Inspection Number: 1642689 Inspection Date(s): 01/10/2023 - 01/10/2023 Issuance Date: 06/28/2023



### **<u>Citation and Notification of Penalty</u>**

**Company Name: Precision Plumbing LLC Inspection Site:** 730 E. Magnolia St., Salina, KS 67401

### Citation 1 Item 1 b Type of Violation: Serious

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On or about January 6, 2023, employee(s) performing plumbing work had not been provided effective information and training to recognize, evaluate, and control exposure to hazardous chemicals including but not limited to epoxy and primer, exposing employee(s) to skin and eye irritation.

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Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: Proposed Penalty: July 25, 2023 \$0.00

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Todd Underwood Area Director

Citation and Notification of Penalty

**U.S. Department of Labor** Occupational Safety and Health Administration 100 N. Broadway Suite 470

Wichita, KS 67202

INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

#### Company Name: Precision Plumbing LLC Inspection Site: 730 E. Magnolia St., Salina, KS 67401 Issuance Date: 06/28/2023

Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number:

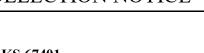
Citation 1 Item 1a, Serious Citation 1 Item 1b, Serious TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES:

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: <u>https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334</u>. 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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TODD UNDERWOOD Date: 2023.06.28 12:21:19 -05'00'

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Total Amount Due: \$331270.00

**Payment Due Date:** 

### 15 working days after receipt of this letter

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Total Number of Violations: 2

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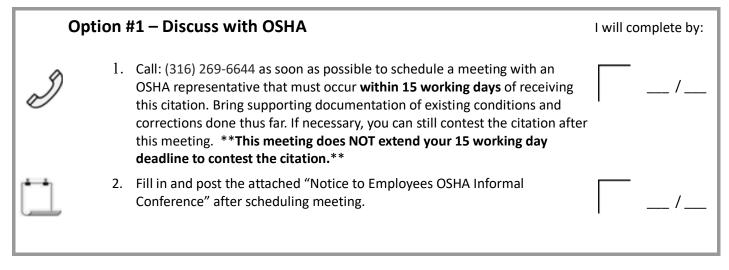
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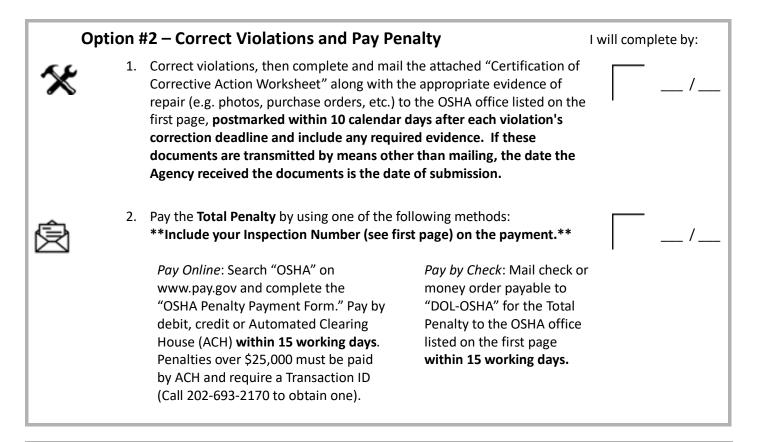
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**Inspection Number: 1642682** 

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### **Citation and Notification of Penalty**

**Company Name: Precision Plumbing LLC Inspection Site:** 730 East Magnolia, Salina, KS 67401

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

29 CFR 1926.100(a): Employee(s) working in areas where there was a possible danger of head injury from impact, or falling or flying objects, or from electrical shock and burns, were not protected by protective helmets:

On January 6, 2023, at the job site located at 730 E. Magnolia in Salina, KS, employees engaged in trenching and excavation activities were exposed to struck-by hazards from rocks, dirt, and other material in the area. The employees were working inside trench that was approximately 9 feet deep. The employees were not provided with proper head protection.

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Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: Proposed Penalty: July 25, 2023 \$4,688.00

Inspection Number: 1642682 Inspection Date(s): 01/10/2023 - 01/10/2023 Issuance Date: 06/28/2023



### **<u>Citation and Notification of Penalty</u>**

**Company Name: Precision Plumbing LLC Inspection Site:** 730 East Magnolia, Salina, KS 67401

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

29 CFR 1926.102(a)(1): The employer did not ensure that each affected employee used 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.

On January 6th, 2023 at the job site located at 730 E. Magnolia in Salina, KS, employee(s) using weld on epoxy to attach PVC piping to each other were exposed to eye injury hazards. Employees were not wearing proper PPE in the form of gloves, eye protection/face protection as identified in paragraph 8.2 Exposure Controls within the SDS.

# 29 CFR 1903.19(d)(1) requires certification and documentation that the abatement of the above violation is complete.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: Proposed Penalty:

July 25, 2023 \$4,688.00

Inspection Number: 1642682 Inspection Date(s): 01/10/2023 - 01/10/2023 Issuance Date: 06/28/2023



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

29 CFR 1926.651(b)(4): While the excavation was opened, underground installations were not protected, supported or removed as necessary to safeguard employees:

On January 6th, 2023, at the job site located at 730 E. Magnolia in Salina, KS, employee(s) engaged in trenching and excavation activities were exposed to water-accumulation hazards. Employees were working in a trench with active unsupported and exposed 8" pressurized water line.

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### <u>Citation 1 Item 4</u> Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1926.651(e): Employee(s) were not required to stand away from any vehicle being loaded or unloaded to avoid being struck by any spillage or falling materials:

On January 6, 2023, at the job site located at 730 E. Magnolia in Salina, KS, employee(s) engaged in trenching and excavation activities were exposed to struck-by hazards while working inside of a trench to guide the bucket of a 308 Cat excavator. The employee(s) were allowed to stand underneath the excavator's bucket while removing and carrying soil.

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### <u>Citation 2 Item 1</u> Type of Violation: Willful - Serious

29 CFR 1926.651(j)(2): Employees were not protected from excavated or other materials or equipment that could pose a hazard by falling or rolling into excavations, or by a combination of both if necessary:

On January 6, 2023, at the job site located at 730 E. Magnolia in Salina, KS, the employer failed to protect employee(s) against cave in hazards in that spoil pile and equipment were less than a two feet from the edge of the trench.

# 29 CFR 1903.19(d)(1) requires certification and documentation that the abatement of the above violation is complete.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: Proposed Penalty:

July 25, 2023 \$156,259.00

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**Company Name: Precision Plumbing LLC Inspection Site:** 730 East Magnolia, Salina, KS 67401

### <u>Citation 2 Item 2</u> Type of Violation: Willful - Serious

29 CFR 1926.652(a)(1): Each employee in an excavation was not protected from cave-ins by an adequate protective system designed in accordance with 29 CFR 1926.652 (b) or (c).

The employer is failing to protect employees from struck-by and collapse hazards associated with trench work. This was most recently documented at the residential construction site located at 730 E. Magnolia in Salina, KS, on January 06, 2023, when the employer did not ensure employees were protected by benching, sloping, shoring, shielding, or other adequate cave-in protection while working in a trench that was approximately 9 feet deep. The trench collapsed, resulting in the engulfment of two employees.

# 29 CFR 1903.19(d)(1) requires certification and documentation that the abatement of the above violation is complete.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: Proposed Penalty: July 25, 2023 \$156,259.00

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

#### **U.S. Department of Labor**

Occupational Safety and Health Administration 100 N. Broadway Suite 470 Wichita, KS 67202



### INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

1642682

#### Company Name: Precision Plumbing LLC Inspection Site: 730 East Magnolia, Salina, KS 67401 Issuance Date: 06/28/2023

Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number:

Citation 1 Item 1, Serious Citation 1 Item 2, Serious Citation 1 Item 3, Serious Citation 1 Item 4, Serious Citation 2 Item 1, Willful - Serious Citation 2 Item 2, Willful - Serious

#### TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES:

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: <u>https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334</u>. 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 cash the check or money order as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

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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.

**Interest**: 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.

**Delinquent Charges**: 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.

<u>Administrative Costs</u>: 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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