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Field Visit Report

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OHS Case ID: **4832CRNRWVK**

Field Visit no: **4832CRNRWVK-4832-FV001**

Visit Date: **2024-SEP-26**

Field Visit Type: **INITIAL**

Workplace Identification: **WESTERN UNIVERSITY**
1151 RICHMOND STREET, LONDON, ON CA N6A 3K7

Notice ID:

Telephone:
(519) 661-2111

JHSC Status:
Active

Work Force #:
14000

Completed %:

Persons Contacted: **Louise Koza - Director of Health, Safety and Employee Well Being**
Peter Chidiac - Worker Member JHSC
Felix Lee - Worker Member JHSC
Rob Laforge - Building Manager
Mark Emerick - Associate Director of Building Services (by phone)
Other workers

Visit Purpose: **To respond to a complaint received at the MLITSD Call Centre**

Visit Location: **Boardroom - Support Services Building**
Medical Sciences Building
Dental Sciences Building
Health Sciences Addition

Visit Summary: **Orders issued. See detailed narrative.**

Detailed Narrative:

This Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training & Skills Development (MLITSD) Inspector attended this workplace to respond to a complaint received at the call centre and to audit compliance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act/ 90 (OHSA) and related legislation. MLITSD Inspector Dave Graham was also present during the field visit.

MLITSD was contacted regarding the following:

-Concerns are that the eye wash stations in the medical sciences, dental sciences and health sciences addition buildings are supposed to be tested weekly and have not been tested since August, workers are doing experiments and using dangerous chemicals.

-Temporary cleaners that have been hired are supposed to get specific training, use specific products and use appropriate PPE. The workers are not wearing the PPE and have not been trained.

INSPECTOR'S FINDINGS:

-Picket line in place at time of arrival. Spoke with picket captain regarding field visit at the time of this inspection.

-Met with persons contacted and discussed elements of the complaint.

-Persons Contacted stated that there are approx. 1100 eyewash stations, 150 showers and 75 hand-held wash facilities on campus. It was stated by Persons Contacted that eye wash stations within laboratories where dangerous chemicals are in frequent use, which compromise approximately 65% of the stations on campus are the responsibility of lab staff to inspect weekly and continue to be inspected as per the regular schedule.

-It was stated that the remaining 35% of the eye wash stations on campus are in the process of being inspected. Inspection of eyewash stations within Mechanical Rooms is underway and commenced on Sept 25th and will continue into Sept 26th, 2024. A plan to have the remaining stations in the corridors and kitchens inspected is being implemented with teams of contract cleaners tasked with specific areas.

-It was stated that an eyewash station inspection includes flushing for 3 minutes, temperature and pressure check of the water and ensuring there are no obstructions to the station.

-Inspectors observed eyewash stations in the corridors of the medical sciences, dental sciences and health sciences addition buildings. All eyewash stations observed were marked with signage, were accessible and not obstructed from being used and were maintained in good condition. Eyewash stations were tested in the presence of Inspectors and were functioning.

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Name <u>Louise Koza</u>	JEFFREY QUANN	Name <u>Peter Chidiac</u>
Title <u>Director, Health Safety & Employee Wellbeing</u>	O.H.S.A. & B.O.S.T.A. INSPECTOR PROVINCIAL OFFENCES OFFICER 217 York Street, 5th Floor, London, ON N6A 5P9 CMHSPLDNCompliance@ontario.ca Tel: (226) 919-4367 Fax: (519) 672-0268	Title <u>JOHSC member</u>
Signature <u>L. Koza</u>	Signature <u>[Signature]</u>	Signature <u>[Signature]</u>

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-Cleaning Closet 3211 in the Material Science Addition Building was inspected. Stored within the closet and in use by cleaners were 3 chemicals identified as Enviro Solutions 65H Hydrogen Peroxide Disinfectant Cleaner, Enviro Solutions 56C Mild Acid Washroom Cleaner and Enviro Solutions 84C Neutral Floor Cleaner. SDS sheet availability was discussed with the Employer Representatives. It was stated that regular cleaning staff have access to SDS sheets for all chemicals in use on campus through the "e-binder", an online resource. However, during a discussion with the employer it was discovered that contract cleaners do not have access to the online resource and SDS sheets for the hazardous products used are not available for examination by the workers – [ORDERS ISSUED]

-Cleaning staff were engaged by inspectors. Not all workers contacted had been instructed on the workplace specific hazards associated with the use, handling and disposal of the hazardous products in use during their assigned cleaning activities – [ORDERS ISSUED]. This applies to the 3 chemicals identified as Enviro Solutions 65H Hydrogen Peroxide Disinfectant Cleaner, Enviro Solutions 56C Mild Acid Washroom Cleaner and Enviro Solutions 84C Neutral Floor Cleaner located in the cleaning closet 3211 in the Material Science Addition Building.

GENERAL INFORMATION: For further information on Health and Safety, MLITSD has a website at:
<https://www.ontario.ca/page/ministry-labour-training-skills-development>

ALL AREAS OF THIS WORKPLACE WERE NOT INSPECTED.

A COPY OF THIS REPORT AND COMPLETED NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE SHALL BE POSTED IN THE WORKPLACE.

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No	Type Code	Act/Reg	Year	Sec.	Sub Sec.	Clause	Text of Order/Requirement	Comply by Date	
1	Time	OHSA	1990	38	1	a	A copy of every current safety data sheet required by this Part in respect of hazardous materials in a workplace shall be made available by the employer in the workplace in such a manner as to allow examination by the workers. At the time of the visit, no safety data sheet was available to workers who are required to use Enviro-Solutions 84C Neutral Floor Cleaner located in the Material Science Building within Room 3211	2024-OCT-01	
4832CRNRWVK-4832-OR001									
2	Time	OHSA	1990	38	1	a	A copy of every current safety data sheet required by this Part in respect of hazardous materials in a workplace shall be made available by the employer in the workplace in such a manner as to allow examination by the workers. At the time of the visit, no safety data sheet was available to workers required to use Enviro-Solutions 56C Mild Acid Washroom Cleaner located in the Material Science Building within Room 3211.	2024-OCT-01	
4832CRNRWVK-4832-OR002									
3	Time	OHSA	1990	38	1	a	A copy of every current safety data sheet required by this Part in respect of hazardous materials in a workplace shall be made available by the employer in the workplace in such a manner as to allow examination by the workers. At the time of the visit, no safety data sheet was available to workers required to use Enviro-Solutions 65H Hydrogen Peroxide Disinfectant Cleaner located in the Material Science Building within Room 3211.	2024-OCT-01	
4832CRNRWVK-4832-OR003									
4	Time	OHSA	1990	860	1990	7	1	The employer shall ensure that every worker who works with or who may be exposed in the course of his or her work to Enviro-Solutions 84C Neutral Floor Cleaner is instructed in, (a)the contents required on labels and the purpose and significance of the information contained on the labels; (b) the contents	2024-SEP-27
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5	Time 4832CRNRWVK- 4832-OR005	OHSA 860	1990 1990	7	1		<p>required on a safety data sheet and the purpose and significance of the information contained on a safety data sheet; (c) procedures for the safe use, storage, handling and disposal of a hazardous product and (f) procedures to be followed in case of an emergency involving a hazardous product. At the time of the visit, not all workers required to use the Enviro-Solutions 84C Neutral Floor Cleaner located in the Material Science Building had been instructed on the prescribed specific hazardous product instructions above.</p> <p>The employer shall ensure that every worker who works with or who may be exposed in the course of his or her work to Enviro-Solutions 56C Mild Acid Washroom Cleaner is instructed in, (a)the contents required on labels and the purpose and significance of the information contained on the labels; (b) the contents required on a safety data sheet and the purpose and significance of the information contained on a safety data sheet; (c) procedures for the safe use, storage, handling and disposal of a hazardous product and (f) procedures to be followed in case of an emergency involving a hazardous product. At the time of the visit, not all workers required to use the Enviro-Solutions 56C Mild Acid Washroom Cleaner located in the Material Science Building had been instructed on the prescribed specific hazardous product instructions above.</p>	2024-SEP-27
6	Time 4832CRNRWVK- 4832-OR006	OHSA 860	1990 1990	7	1		<p>The employer shall ensure that every worker who works with or who may be exposed in the course of his or her work to Enviro-Solutions 65H Hydrogen Peroxide Disinfectant Cleaner is instructed in, (a)the contents required on labels and the purpose and significance of the information contained on the labels; (b) the contents required on a safety data sheet and the purpose and significance of the</p>	2024-SEP-27

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