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American Maritime Modernization Association, Inc.

Subject: AMMA Safety Committee Monthly Meeting held @ 1:00 pm on Wednesday, 16 October, 2013. Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm.

Location: QED Systems, Inc., 4646 N. Witchduck Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455

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A. Opening Administrative Remarks and Attendee Introductions:

Chris Dunbar	Scaffolding Solutions
Wally Finn	Epsilon Systems
Wes Foy	Valkyrie Enterprises
Jolean Halford	QED
Otto Hylton	AMSEC
George O’Leary	George G Sharp
Eric Strickland	AIT-Marine

B. Old Business:

- 18 September, 2013 Meeting Minutes were reviewed and approved, with some minor typo corrections.

C. Topics for Discussion

- September 12, 2013 VSRA Safety Meeting Highlights.
 - i. Work Authorization Form (WAF) training is online as of September 15th. It includes a Training Packet (Presentation, Handbook, Quiz, and Answer Sheet).
 - ii. One safety suggestion was forwarded to the review committee. It is a removable stanchion plate for barges.
 - iii. The annual Safety & Health Seminar will be held on October 23, 2013 at the Ted Constant Convocation Center at ODU. The theme this year is “Home Safe –not just for baseball.” They have \$11,000 in sponsors. All tracks are filled. 140 people have registered. Max is 200.
 - iv. The NAVSEA Standard Items Review Committee is making slow, but steady progress. Tom Binner of BAE is the chairman.
- Shipboard electrical work concerning PCBs and Asbestos was discussed. Since CVN-69 (USS Eisenhower) is an older ship there could be more potential for PCBs to be present in electrical components and cabling than with the newer ships, CAT 1 NSSI 009-65 identifies requirements to follow. Cabling also has the potential to contain asbestos, CAT 1 NSSI 009-10 identifies requirements to follow. Reminder to all to familiarize yourself with the requirements

of 009-10 and 009-65 prior to conducting electrical work.

- Chris Dunbar of Scaffolding Solutions gave an informative presentation on Marine Scaffolding. Handout will be provided as an attachment.

D. New Business

- NSSA has a new set of RMMCO check-in requirements for AIT regarding showing evidence of safety and environmental procedures and various training records. Please see attachment.

E. Open Discussion

- Any recent near misses or accidents that people would like to share with the group?
 - i. Two instances of falling objects striking people. Both were at Norfolk Naval Shipyard near the USS Eisenhower. One led to a head injury.
 - ii. Norfolk Naval Shipyard is on the lookout for Firewatch credentials and clearly visible identifying vest or other methods of marking for Firewatches.

Next Regular Meeting: The next safety committee meeting will be held on **Wednesday, November 20, 2013** at 1:00 pm at QED Systems, Inc., 4646 N. Witchduck Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Wally Finn, Chairman, AMMA Safety Committee