



CONSTRUCTION

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DID YOU KNOW?

OSHA has extended the enforcement deadline for the confined spaces in construction standard for residential construction work to **Jan. 8, 2016**.

OSHA will not issue citations under the new standard for residential construction work before that date if employers can demonstrate that they are making good faith efforts to comply with the new standard.

Contact Atlantic Pacific Insurance today for additional information and resources to aid you with OSHA compliance.

Contractors Pollution Liability Provides Crucial Coverage

Demand for contractors pollution liability (CPL) coverage has been soaring for the past several years, in part because contractors engaged in non-environmental work are being required to purchase it.

According to a profile from Property Casualty 360, some brokers are seeing nearly a third of their new business from “regular” contractors—like plumbers, roofers and electricians—many of whom are being required by project owners to purchase the coverage. Since the 1980s, most commercial general liability policies have excluded coverage for environmental- or pollution-related claims.

Other market forces have contributed to the increasing demand for CPL coverage, including

a number of high-profile environmental disasters and an increasingly competitive carrier market for acquiring coverage. In fact, the competition has been growing so fierce that CPL premiums have actually been falling in many sectors.

Contact Atlantic Pacific Insurance for help in assessing your possible pollution exposures and determining your coverage options.



Fire Safety: Essential in Construction

Whether you are renovating an existing structure or building a new one, the construction job site presents unique challenges when you are addressing fire safety. Often, fire suppression and fire alarm systems are either disabled or not yet in place at construction sites, making fire prevention measures all the more important.

Make sure to clean up and deposit debris in dumpsters, keep flammable liquids outside of buildings and away from ignition sources, keep a minimum of 5 feet of clearance around small temporary heaters, and make sure that fire extinguishers are readily available throughout the job site.