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Nominations for Negotiated Rulemaking Committee

The Association of Equipment Manufacturers (AEM) is writing in response to OSHA's notice of the proposed Negotiated Rulemaking Committee membership for Safety Standards for Cranes and Derricks, published in the February 27, 2003, Federal Register.

On behalf of its product group the Power Crane and Shovel Association, AEM supports the efforts of OSHA in this Negotiated Rulemaking process. We agree that 29CFR 1926.550 deserves review in light of the substantial passage of time since its original adoption, and because of the numerous changes which have occurred in the supporting safety codes and related technologies.

AEM fully supports the nomination of Michael Brunet, Director of Product Support, Manitowoc Crane Group. We have offered Mike our assistance in communicating with members of the PCSA Crane Technical Committee.

We are, however, disappointed that the proposed committee selection included only one mobile crane manufacturer representative. We feel that representation by at least two manufacturers would have provided the committee with the "state of the art" expertise necessary to successfully complete this imposing task.

Please let me know if the Association of Equipment Manufacturers might be of assistance to OSHA as the Negotiated Rulemaking process moves forward.

Sincerely yours,  
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