



May 3, 2019

To: All CWA Local Presidents

Subject: 2019 CWA/USW Health, Safety and Environment Conference

Dear Colleagues:

Due to technical issues, I apologize for the small delay in sending the enclosed notice regarding the 2019 CWA/USW Health, Safety and Environment Conference (HSE). The Conference will be held September 9-13, 2019, at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center and Westin Hotel in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The conference is designed for participation by local union occupational health and safety activists and leadership.

The national conference will emphasize:

- Increasing participant knowledge and skills
- Developing strategies to improve day-to-day member working conditions
- Sharing knowledge and experience between/among members

The conference will convene Monday, September 9th at 8:00 a.m. with a union-only session to be conducted through that afternoon. Additional plenary sessions and workshops will be conducted Tuesday through Friday. These sessions will involve labor and management participants. (Per collective bargaining agreements between the USW and represented employers, management health and safety representatives participate in the conference.) The conference will adjourn Friday by noon.

Please note: Immediately after the close of the Monday union-only session, there will be a special CWA Meeting.

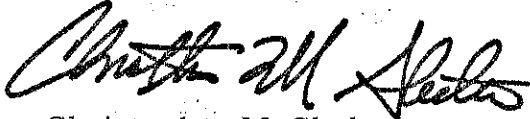
Workshop sessions conducted Tuesday through Friday will target various specialized topics such as a Union Approach to Health and Safety Committees, Industrial Hygiene, Ergonomics, Heat Stress, Lead, Occupational Stress, Emergency Response, and Labor and the Environment.

The registration website and conference logistics are attached.

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Occupational and environmental health and safety remains a key concern for our members and the HSE conference will expand our opportunities to improve the Union's health and safety programs.

In Unity,

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Christopher M. Shelton
President

Cc: CWA Executive Board
CWA Staff

Conference Logistics and Registration Information

Registration for the conference will open May 1, 2019, and close Monday, September 2, 2019. Participants are urged to pre-register online at <https://events.usw.org/registration/hse3.aspx>.

1. **Monday & Tuesday only:** \$250.00- After the Monday workshop sessions, there will be a CWA activist meeting.
2. **Monday-Friday:** There will be an early-bird registration fee of \$400 available May 1, 2019 to May 31, 2019. Effective June 1, 2019, the registration fee will increase to \$450.00.

All early bird registrations must be paid for in full by May 31, 2019. If there is a remaining account balance after May 31, 2019, the registration fee will change to the normal fee of \$450.00.

Onsite registration will be available Sunday, September 8, 2019 from 12-8 p.m. and Monday, September 9, 2019 from 7:30a.m- 12:30 P.M.

Participants will be responsible for their hotel room, travel, and incidental costs.

Hotel and Airline Registration

A block of rooms have been reserved at several Pittsburgh hotels at a rate of \$142 per night (plus applicable taxes and fees). To access hotel information, receive an airline discount code, and register for the conference, please go to the conference website: www.usw.org/hseconference

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Matos at mmatos@cwa-union.org in the Occupational Safety and Health Department or call [202-434-1224](tel:202-434-1224).