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Constructors Release Safety Resource Material to Industry

Australia's leading construction companies have continued the progress of their Safety Initiative with the release of a further suite of documents aimed at assisting the building and construction industry to improve its safety performance.

The documents, released by the Australian Constructors Association (ACA), supplement the reports released last year on Safety Culture and Safety in Design and cover a range of issues including:

- Guidance on the development and use of lead performance indicators to enable a proactive approach to identifying safety risks before accidents occur.
- A glossary of common safety terms aimed at standardising safety documentation and clarifying safety concepts.
- Guidelines on undertaking a training needs analysis to identify competencies and develop safety leadership capabilities within a business.
- Revised electrical safety guidelines.

Commenting on the release of the guides and related documents ACA President, David Saxelby, said that the materials are simple and effective resources for implementing change in any organisation operating within the construction industry and are publicly available on the ACA website at: www.constructors.com.au

"Safety is a key responsibility for all of us in the industry and the ACA is pleased to be actively assisting the industry to improve its operations and safety record", Mr Saxelby said.

Mr Saxelby went on to say that the next steps for the ACA Safety Initiative will focus on the development of a cultural change to safety across the industry using the current and previous material released by the ACA to assist with a broad communication and partnering program directed at industry, governments, regulators, clients and the Australian public.

"The ACA wants to see an Australian construction industry free of fatalities and permanent injuries, and we have to provide support and assistance to all those involved to ensure that improvements are realised."

Mr Saxelby concluded by encouraging industry stakeholders to contact the ACA to discuss opportunities to be involved in its Safety Initiative.

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The members of the Australian Constructors Association have combined annual revenues exceeding \$50 billion and directly employ over 100,000 workers.