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Harper General Contractors and SC OSHA Sign Safety Partnership

Harper General Contractors (Harper) and the South Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Administration (SC OSHA) entered into a limited partnership agreement on Thursday, March 11, 2021, to provide the safest possible work environment for employees working on this construction project in McCormick.

With this partnership, SC OSHA will visit the site regularly to help identify and correct potential hazards and also will provide training and incentives to participating contractors who voluntarily improve their safety and health performance.

“By signing this agreement, Harper General Contractors is showing its commitment to providing a safe and healthy worksite for employees by partnering with our SC OSHA team,” LLR Director Emily Farr said. “We look forward to working with their team through the life of the project.”

This agreement is consistent with SC OSHA's long-range efforts to develop workplace safety partnerships within the construction industry. It allows for better use of SC OSHA resources, fosters innovation in safety management, and encourages active participation in the safety process on the part of construction/trade association communities.

One of the long-term benefits of partnerships like this one is that subcontractors and workers take what they learn about safety at the project site to future construction worksites.

The 3.7MGD water treatment facility in McCormick represents a collaboration among McCormick CPW, Turnipseed Engineers, and Harper General Contractors. The Project Team worked closely with the CPW to understand their needs and provided significant value engineering to keep the project within budget. Upon completion, the facility will allow McCormick CPW to continue providing high-quality water as it welcomes new business and customers to its service area.

“We are excited about this project and our partnership with SC OSHA,” Bryan Royal, Vice President, Environmental Systems Division for Harper General Contractors, said. “Safety is a cornerstone of Harper’s project approach and is built into everything we do. We are excited to work with SC OSHA and continue to hone our best practices.”

For more information on partnerships with SC OSHA, call (803) 896-7744.

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