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Dear Owner,

The Fire and Flood Restoration Program Technical Advisory Committee (FFRPTAC) was formed in 2005 as a committee created by the British Columbia Association of Restoration Contractors (BCARC). It was the first association in North America devoted exclusively to health & safety in the Fire and Flood Restoration industry. BCARC amalgamated with the BC Construction Safety Alliance (BCCSA) in 2016 and continues to meet monthly to discuss and develop health & safety resources for the industry.

The committee is functioning well and in line with BCCSA's overall philosophy of 'making safety simpler'. The BCCSA relies on the FFRPTAC to help set priorities for important health and safety initiatives and to research, develop, and share resources for the Fire & Flood industry. Additionally, an owners group meets on a quarterly basis to review the work done by the TAC and provide oversight of its activities. Your membership with this group is highly recommended as we want to ensure the resources and tools developed resonate with the owners who ultimately pay the bills.

Some current projects include:

- Hazardous Materials Awareness Training online course
- Subcontractor Management Tool
- Collecting lead sampling data from the industry

Some past initiatives include:

- Development of an [Asbestos Information Guide](#).
- Provided content for a BCCSA Risk Assessment app and tool (coming soon).
- Contributed to the development of [Mental Health courses](#).
- Development of [Exposure Control Plan Guides](#).
- Development of the [Site Safety Assessment Kit](#).
- Access to [free CCOHS courses](#) for CU 721022 companies.
- Development of a [Lead Sampling Sheet](#).
- Development of [Hazardous Materials Awareness Training](#) resources.
- Contributed and participated in the development of the [BCCSA Webinar Series](#). Topics include Health & Safety Responsibilities in Fire & Flood Restoration and Introduction to Exposure Control Plans (ECPs) for the Construction Industry.
- Assisted with the development of the [Industry Stat Pack](#).

If you would like to join the FFRPTAC and send a representative, please review the Terms of Reference, and sign the Consent Form, indicating that this individual represents the health and safety interests of you and your organization. In essence, they become your proxy on the FFRPTAC.

Best Regards,

Mike McKenna
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