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**Notice to: Accredited Elevating Device Mechanic Continuing Education Providers, Elevating Device and Ski Lift Mechanics (under Ontario Regulation 222/01)**

Be advised the Director of Elevating Devices in Ontario will permit Elevating and Ski Lift Mechanics whose certificates expire beginning March 16, 2020 to renew their certificates under Ontario Regulation 222/01 (Certification and Training of Elevating Device Mechanics) without having completed the continuous education requirements mandated by the *Elevating Device Mechanics Policies and Procedures* and *Director's Order ED-272-18*, so long as the certificate holders renew their certificates with TSSA prior to their date of expiry.

In addition, certificate holders who are permitted to renew their certificates under this exception will be required to complete their outstanding continuing education requirements, and submit proof of completion to the Director, within 120 days from the date that social distancing requirements and the State of Emergency is lifted by the Government of Ontario.

**Therefore, please be advised that Elevating Device Mechanics and/or Ski Lift Mechanics who wish to continue to work must still renew their certificates before their date of expiry. This is mandated by Ontario Regulation 222/01:**

Subsection 5(1): An application to renew a certificate shall be made to the director... and be accompanied by the fee set out by the designated administrative authority.

Subsection 5(4): If a mechanic fails to renew his or her certificate before it expires, the mechanics shall not work as a mechanic after the date of expiry of the certificate...

**The suspension of the requirement to have to complete continuing education requirements shall remain in effect until further notice by the Director.**

Background:

In response to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Technical Standards and Safety Authority ("TSSA"), is taking precautionary measures to protect our employees, partners and customers. Recertification training and continuous education may require certificate holders to attend in-class training sessions, which may not comply with the social distancing guidelines; therefore, the requirements have been suspended for a period of time.

Yours truly,

Dean McLellan  
Director, Ontario Regulation 222/01 (Certification and Training of Elevating Device Mechanics) made under the *Technical Standards and Safety Act, 2000*