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### ***Safety Council Rebate Program deadline approaching***

The deadline to participate in BWC's Safety Council Rebate Program is approaching. State funded employers who wish to participate in the program must join a local safety council by July 31, 2010. Employers participating in traditional group rating or group retrospective rating programs are not permitted to stack this rebate with their program benefit.

In order to receive the discount, employers must also:

- Send a company representative to ten meetings between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011; at least eight of which must be through the local safety council. Employers can get credit for up to two meetings through attendance at industry specific or BWC safety training courses.
- Send a qualified senior-level manager to a safety council sponsored meeting.
- Submit semi-annual workplace accident reports for the 2010 calendar year.

Employers can earn a 2% premium rebate for meeting all of the participation eligibility requirements. Employers may earn an additional 2% rebate by reducing either their frequency or severity of workplace injuries by 10%, or by maintaining both frequency and severity of workplace injuries at zero.

BWC's Division of Safety & Hygiene sponsors more than 80 safety councils around the state. Safety councils are organized through chambers of commerce, trade associations, American Red Cross chapters and other safety-oriented organizations. A complete list of safety councils is available on BWC's website [www.ohiobwc.com](http://www.ohiobwc.com), and can be accessed by following the links to "Safety Services" and then to "Safety Services/Safety Councils."

Any questions or requests for further information regarding the Safety Council Rebate Program can be answered by calling CareWorks Consultants, Inc., Katie Cassidy toll-free, at 1-800-837-3200.