



A Valuable Training Experience Comes to Missouri Valley in September

Do you know how to shake down a steel transmission tower off a suspension line? Are you aware of the latest techniques and equipment for installing, inspecting and using wood pole fall restriction devices? These are just two of the many topics to be discussed and demonstrated during a special three-day training session from Buckingham Manufacturing and the Electrical Training Alliance and hosted by the Missouri Valley Line Constructors Apprenticeship Training Program on September 14–16 in Indianola, Iowa.

According to Chris Delavera, vice president of U.S. sales for Buckingham, this is a valuable training opportunity for contractors and their safety personnel for two important reasons:

- The program is designed to provide trainers with information and hands-on experience they can then share with their linemen.
- Participants will gain a much better understanding of what is needed to comply with new OSHA regulations

The Best of Both Worlds — Classroom Training and Field Experiences

In addition to learning more about new products and techniques designed to make work easier and safer, trainers will receive hands-on experience at Missouri Valley's training site. Topics to be covered during the main event include:

- First man up climbing
- Crew climbing
- Working/traversing steel structures
- Rescue techniques, including confined space rescues
- Wood pole fall restraint
- Aerial lifts

"Response to these training sessions has been more than positive," notes Delavera, who admits that many participants initially think they are coming to hear a Buckingham sales pitch. "That perception quickly changes when they realize we are providing valuable training to help them do their jobs safer and to comply with OSHA." "Safety is our number one priority," agrees Missouri Valley Executive Director Michael Brown, "and that is why we are pleased to work with Buckingham to bring contractors this valuable training."

The Price Is Right

"The best part of this training experience beyond the classroom and hands-on experience, is the price — FREE, including hotel and meals!" says Delavera, who notes that some contractors pay as much as \$5,000 a day for an organization to train their trainers. "Better yet, we have scheduled several social events throughout the session where participants can share their best practices with one another."

Mark Your Calendars Today

Don't miss this valuable training experience, September 14–16 in Indianola, Iowa.

More About The Missouri Valley Constructors Apprenticeship & Training Program:

The apprenticeship program based in Indianola, Iowa, is one of seven locations operated by the organization. The others are in the states of Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin. The Iowa program occupies a training facility, which includes an outdoor pole yard. The Iowa program trains thousands of apprentice linemen each year.

For additional information, or to schedule a visit to our training facilities, contact

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