



Enform's Annual Fee for Non-Member COR & SECOR Holders

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There have been questions and concerns surrounding the implementation of Enform's Annual Fee for Non-Member COR and SECOR holders. Hopefully the following information will provide clarity to Enform's new fee schedule and why it came about.

Enform is funded by an industry levy; this levy is paid by the six major petroleum industry trade associations and by the oil and gas employers via their WCB premiums (these employers are outlined in the "WCB Industry Codes assigned to Enform" document. The two industry codes that are represented by the CAGC and covered in the aforementioned document are: 9200 (Seismic Survey) and 9201 (Shot Hole Drilling) – these employers are considered "Enform Members".

This year (2010), Enform's forecasted budget is +/- six million dollars. Last year they ran a deficit; this deficit was largely paid by the levy funders (aka Enform Members). Out of fairness to the Enform funders it was agreed that those companies should not have to pay again (i.e. levy + fee), thus the Annual Fee for Non-Member Employers was introduced.

In order for a WCB industry code to be included in this levy Enform would be required to poll the entire industry group (such as: 2200, 6110, 6300, 40604, 50107, 50714, 60800, 62303, 82710, 86401, 86411, 99100 etc.); however before a levy could be approved, 2/3's of that entire group would have to agree to pay into the levy. The problem presented here is that most of the companies represented in these groups are not in the oil and gas industry.

As of January 1, 2010 the new Enform fee structure when submitting SECOR and COR external and maintenance audits for Non Members is as follows:

- SECOR (1-10 Employees): \$350.00 + the Audit Quality Assurance Review Fee of \$150.00;
- COR (11+ Employees): \$750.00 + the Audit Quality Assurance Review Fee of \$350.00

Other Certifying Partners charge the following for COR Audit Reviews:

- **Alberta Association for Safety Partnerships (AASP):** Annual Membership Fee of \$450 Mid-size Employer (11-100 employees) or \$600 Large Employer (100+ employees) + Audit Review Fees (maximum of 3 hours) of \$50/hour;
- **Alberta Construction Safety Association (ACSA):** Associate Member Fee of \$525 (10 employees or under) or \$787.50 (10+ employees);
- **Alberta Safety Council (ASC):** External Auditor Fee (charged separately by the auditor and therefore varies) + Audit Review Fees (maximum of 3 hours) of \$90/hour