## Staffing industry employers rewarded for their commitment to workplace safety

Mississauga, November 5th, 2012 – Ontario's workplace is safer today, thanks to the continued efforts of the staffing industry and the Workplace Safety Insurance Board (WSIB). Following another successful WSIB Safety Group Program, members of the Association of Canadian Search, Employment & Staffing Services (ACSESS) sponsored safety group will receive rebates totalling \$1,592,315.62. The safety group, comprised of 80 ACSESS member firm accounts, will be awarded the rebates for initiatives that reduced both the severity and frequency of workplace injuries in 2011.

"As a result of the continued efforts of both ACSESS members and the WSIB, Ontario is becoming a safer and safer place to work," said ACSESS Director of Government Relations, Mary McIninch, adding that "in addition to financial rebates, ACSESS members' participation improves safety records, productivity and morale among temporary employees."

ACSESS has been an active sponsor in the WSIB Safety Group Program since 2001, when it was the only group within the services sector to be selected from 18 candidates to enter the program.

The WSIB Safety Group Program promotes health and safety in the workplace through pooling of resources and sharing of best practices between member-businesses. There are currently more than 50 industry safety groups in the province of Ontario.

For more information, please visit <u>www.acsess.org</u> or contact Mary McIninch, Director of Government Relations, at 905-826-6869.

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