



Media Release

The Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission Lay Charges under the Nunavut Safety Act

Iqaluit, NU (July 15, 2022) – On July 7, 2022 the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission filed eight charges under the Nunavut *Safety Act* in relation to an incident that occurred at the City of Iqaluit Maintenance Garage on July 16, 2021.

A worker was performing maintenance and repairs on a wheelbarrow when a tire being inflated blew up and struck them on the face and arm causing injury.

The City of Iqaluit is charged with multiple counts alleging offences in violation of the *Safety Act* and *Occupational Health and Safety Regulations* (Nunavut), including failure to properly train and supervise a worker and failure to take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of every person at the worksite.

The first court appearance in this matter is scheduled for August 15, 2022 at 9:30 AM at the Nunavut Court of Justice.

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Note:

1. This matter is now before the courts, so additional information available for release is limited.
2. The *Safety Act*, section 11, outlines requirements for confidentiality relating to what personal information the WSCC can release. The *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* also states what personal information government bodies are permitted to release. Under these *Acts*, the WSCC is unable to disclose personal information or information that could reasonably identify an individual.