Employer & President Sentenced in Christmas Eve Scaffolding Tragedy



On Dec. 24, 2009, four workers died and another was seriously injured when a swing-stage scaffold collapsed. In June, their employer pleaded guilty to criminal negligence causing death under the *Criminal Code* as amended by Bill C-45, while its president pleaded guilty to four OHS violations. The court recently fined the employer \$200,000 and the president \$90,000. All criminal charges against the president were dropped [Metron Construction and Joel Swartz, Govt. News Release, July 13, 2012].