

Stop Work Order Appeal Leads to Citation for OHS Violation



What began as an appeal of a stop work order requiring a building contractor to stop using a backup proximity sensor on a Ford F-350 pickup truck after modifications to the vehicle compromised the sensor's effectiveness. But the OHS officer raised the stakes by citing the contractor for an OHS violation. The contractor claimed that this was an abuse of the officer's powers but the Alberta OHS tribunal disagreed. There was no violation of the OHS appeals procedures. And the determination that the device was out of compliance was reasonable [*Ledcor Pipe & Infrastructure v Alberta (Occupational Health and Safety)*, File No.: OHS2020-6, April 26, 2021].