

# Winter | Spring 2013

## ROOF ANCHORS BULLETIN

understanding your responsibilities



### Serious About Safety...

The landscape of the industry we represent, namely Fall Protection and Suspended Access, has changed considerably over the last few years spurred on in part by the fantastic development that has occurred throughout our region.

With the proliferation of structures requiring Window Cleaning and/or Façade Maintenance, capable persons providing these services will be in ever greater demand. It is the responsibility of us all; building owners, property managers, developers, architects, constructors, designers, equipment manufacturers/suppliers, service providers and governing agencies to ensure we make available the best possible environment in which these individuals will ply their hazardous trade.

**Ascent Consulting** was formed to address the **serious** nature of this business in concert with the benefits of right application of the governing principles. We strive not only to address our client's related needs, but also to inform of the advantages and responsibility inherent in safe, cost effective and efficient system design.

Our Customers are **ALWAYS** in the know, because they're **INFORMED**.

It is the Building Owner's and/or their agent's responsibility to make sure a safe working environment, in compliance with the Occupational Health & Safety Act, has been provided for both employees and contractors. Under the Act, PART IX – Offences and Penalties, failure to comply may result in a maximum fine of \$500,000.00 for a corporation or \$25,000.00 for a person.

Sample **HAZARDOUS** condition of ladder installed to access Catwalk and Upper Roof. Note opening in Roof adjacent to ladder exposing workers to a fall. **Ascent Consulting**, through our Design and Inspection services, ensures you are informed of all safety concerns to effect necessary upgrades.



**With Spring Window Cleaning** around the corner...

**Inspections:** Ascent Consulting is vastly experienced in conducting Inspection Services for all manner of Roof Anchorage Systems, including but not limited, to the following:

- Safety Anchors
- Portable Davit / Outrigger Equipment
- Roof Car / Motorized Rail Systems\*\*\*
- HLL (Horizontal Lifeline) Cable Systems
- Access Ladders, Catwalks & Safety Guardrails

We offer a variety of Inspection options to meet your specific requirements:



**PA (Performance Audit) Inspections:** Developers want to be certain that investment in costly Window Cleaning / Suspended Access equipment made on behalf of building owners is designed and installed in accordance with applicable governing codes. Contact us prior to warranty expiration regarding our comprehensive System Review and Inspection Service.

**Annual Inspection Services:** We also perform standard Annual Inspections of Roof Anchorage Systems, however, unlike most other companies, we provide a review of the Overall System Design relative to current codes and regulations.

**Site Assessment Inspection:** When Drawings and Logbook documentation go missing, or a Compliance Order is issued by the Ministry of Labour, you want an experienced team to assess your existing equipment. Our site review and inspection will provide you with in-depth analysis of your installed system(s) with detailed recommendations.

**Design Services:** Whether it's on the drawing board or already a feature on the skyline, Ascent Consulting is your preferred option.

We work closely with design professionals and building owners alike to create safe, cost effective and efficient system designs.

For buildings with existing systems requiring upgrades, Ascent Consulting conducts a review of site conditions, prepares a detailed report outlining recommendations and generates design concept drawings and a complementary package for bidding purposes.

**\*\*\* News:** We welcome Wilf Wright to the Ascent Consulting team as an independent third party consultant who is a highly skilled and experienced electro-mechanical system professional. Wilf's breadth of experience and background are recognized industry wide. Please take a moment to review his impressive bio at our [website](#).

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