

## **NOVEMBER 2023 MONTH IN REVIEW**

# **New Brunswick**

#### **LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Fall Protection**

Oct 5: WorkSafeNB published a <u>checklist</u> employers and workers can use to carry out daily or prestart inspections of elevated work platforms to ensure they're in safe operating order and in compliance with provincial OHS requirements.

**Action Point:** Use the **OHSI Fall Protection Compliance Game Plan** to prevent fall injuries and OHS violations at your site

### Fire Safety

Sep 22: New Brunswick assembled a joint task force to investigate the deadly fire that occurred at the American Iron and Metal terminal in Port Saint John on Sept. 14. The government has suspended AIM's approval to operate and ordered it to cease all activities pending the results of the investigation into its compliance with the fire safety provisions of the lease.

#### **Workers Comp**

Oct 5: Workers comp premiums in New Brunswick are going down for the third year in a row. The 2024 average assessment will drop from \$1.31 to \$1.18 per \$100 assessable payroll, the lowest in Atlantic Canada. And with WorkSafeNB at a 147.7% funding position, employers are also getting a 21 cents credit toward their 2024 premiums.

