Human Resources Legislative Update

Parts of Ontario *College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2009* to Come into Force April 8, 2013

Date: April 1, 2013

On April 8, 2013, parts of the *Ontario College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2009* ("OCTAA") will be proclaimed into force.

Among other things, OCTAA creates the Ontario College of Trades ("College"). Effective April 8, 2013, OCTAA will repeal the Apprenticeship and Certification Act, 1998 and the *Trades Qualification and Apprenticeship Act*, thereby transferring most responsibility for skilled trades and certificates issued under those Acts from the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities to the College.

The provisions of OCTAA which will be proclaimed into force on April 8, 2013 set out, among other things, prohibitions on engaging in the practice of a compulsory trade without the requisite valid certificate of qualification, requirements for membership in the College, establishment of the Complaints, Discipline and Fitness to Practice Committees and offence provisions for non-compliance with OCTAA.