Human Resources Legislative Update

Regulations under Ontario *College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2009* Now in Force

Date: April 11, 2013

On April 8, 2013, O. Reg. 421/12 (General), as amended by O. Reg. 130/13, made under the Ontario College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2009 ("OCTAA") came into force. O. Reg. 421/12 establishes certain exemptions under OCTAA and contains transitional provisions regarding, for example, certificates of qualification and statements of membership issued under either the *Trades Qualification and Apprenticeship Act* or the Apprenticeship and Certification Act, 1998.

On April 5, 2013, O. Reg. 128/13, amending O. Reg. 175/11 (Prescribed Trades and Related Matters) made under OCTAA, came into force. O. Reg. 128/13 deletes "Cement Mason" from the prescribed trades, construction sector and makes certain other amendments.

As previously reported, parts of the OCTAA came into force on April 8, 2013. Among other matters, OCTAA creates the Ontario College of Trades ("College"). Effective April 8, 2013, OCTAA repealed the *Apprenticeship and Certification Act, 1998* and the *Trades Qualification and Apprenticeship Act*, thereby transferring most responsibility for skilled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.