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CLARION SAFETY SYSTEMS EXPANDS SAFETY SIGN PRODUCT LINE TO HELP CUSTOMERS MEET OSHA COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

New safety sign products from Clarion help workplace safety professionals meet OSHA requirements

Milford, PA – April 26, 2018 – <u>Clarion Safety Systems</u>, a leading designer and manufacturer of safety labels and signs, has expanded its <u>safety sign product line</u> to help customers meet the compliance requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

OSHA has many rules and regulations that must be followed in the United States as part of the organization's monitoring and enforcement of workplace safety. This includes requirements for safety signs. Safety signs are an important part of warning employees, subcontractors and temporary workers about potential hazards and providing instructions on the proper precautions to take to avoid injuries.

Clarion has added a new section in its online workplace safety sign catalog dedicated to meeting <u>OSHA</u> <u>safety sign</u> requirements and compliance needs.

"Keeping employees, contractors and visitors safe, as well as meeting necessary OSHA workplace safety regulations, is a top concern for today's businesses. In line with our customers' needs, we've added a number of signs to meet OSHA requirements, including new Danger, Warning, Caution and Notice signs. And it's just the first step. We're working to expand our catalog, including introducing more options in line with OSHA's latest requirements and regulatory agenda," says Ron Crawford, CEO of Clarion Safety Systems.

In its *Specifications for Accident Prevention Signs and Tags*, 29 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) 1910.145, OSHA provides requirements for signs, accident prevention signs and safety tags. According to the regulation, signs must be put in place "to indicate and define specific hazards." It also spells out the necessity of explaining the gravity of the threat and required imagery.

"It's important for occupational safety and health professionals to understand that these OSHA requirements are the most basic level of safety sign design and implementation," says Angela Lambert, head of standards compliance at Clarion. "According to OSHA's regulation, workplaces have the option to use updated, ANSI-style signs which provide additional, critical detail. Plus, ANSI formats allow for the communication of what constitutes an 'adequate warning' from a liability perspective."

The best practice standards from the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) offer additional guidance for today's workplaces that are striving to maximize safety. ANSI Z535 delineates five different types of safety signs – SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS, DANGER, WARNING, NOTICE and CAUTION – and also includes detailed guidance regarding placement, shape and choice of illustration. ISO 3864 provides insight on global, graphical symbols.

"While they contain the latest criteria for state-of-the-art warnings, ANSI and ISO can often be overlooked by today's workplaces. Clarion's best practice signs are compliant with OSHA as well as ANSI/ISO, which means they typically provide more substantial and precise information about the hazard at hand so that viewers are able to make more informed, safer decisions," says Lambert.

Clarion's safety signs to meet OSHA compliance can be found in the company's <u>online catalog</u>. In addition to its sign product line the company offers services like <u>customization</u> and free assessments, where Clarion's professionals assess and make recommendations for a facility's current signage and communication challenges.

"Getting a third party perspective can help organizations to ensure that they are effectively communicating with workers, reducing visual clutter, and supporting big picture safety and risk reduction measures," says Lambert.

To learn more about the elements to consider for precise visual safety communication, watch Clarion's video, "Effective Safety Symbols, Signs and Labels."

ABOUT CLARION SAFETY SYSTEMS

Clarion Safety Systems, LLC, is the leading designer and manufacturer of visual safety solutions that help customers in more than 180 industries worldwide to make their products and premises safer. Clarion offers a full range of standard and custom products including machinery safety labels, environmental and facility safety signs, pipe and valve identification markings, lockout/tagout products, and safety-grade photoluminescent egress path-marking escape systems. Founded in 1990, the company continues to play a leading role in the development and writing of international and national standards for safety signs, labels, and markings. Clarion is headquartered at 190 Old Milford Road in Milford, PA, 18337, and online at www.clarionsafety.com.

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