



## **PROTECTIVE COATINGS INSPECTOR (PCI) ATTESTATION**

To uphold and advance the honor and dignity of being an SSPC Certified Protective Coatings Inspector, and in keeping with the high standards of ethical and professional conduct that I am expected to uphold, I acknowledge the following:

### **I. Fundamental Principles**

I recognize that all my actions reflect upon my own professionalism and my company if I'm self-employed, or my employer. When performing coating inspection duties, I not only represent myself and my company or my employer but also reflect upon the SSPC PCI Program. In all my actions, my personal integrity and ethics must be beyond reproach.

### **II. Specifics**

#### **A. Impartiality**

I pledge that I will be impartial while performing all coatings inspection and related activities on behalf of my company or my employer. Impartiality is critical to the coating inspector's mission. I will perform coating inspection that provides confidence to all those depending upon me that I've done the best job possible and that I have done due diligence.

#### **B. Objective**

I pledge that I will be objective in completing my assigned tasks. Objective means I will report any known conflicts of interest to my superior, if I'm employed by a firm to perform inspection, or to my client if I'm self-employed and have been hired to perform coating inspection services. I pledge that I will inspect and make my assessment and document my findings based on contract requirements and applicable standards. My assessments and documentation of inspections and tests will be based on applying my professional knowledge to evaluate the facts at hand.

#### **C. Conflicts of Interest**

I pledge to declare all known conflicts of interest, actual, potential or perceived.

#### **D. Diligence and Reasonable Care**

I pledge to be diligent and take reasonable care when I perform my inspection tasks. This includes but is not limited to:

- Performing my duties on each project with accuracy, dedication, perseverance, fairness, timeliness and honesty, and within the limits of my authority as specified by my employer, if I'm employed by a firm to perform coating inspections, or the client.
- Strictly adhering to any stated inspection criteria and the governing specification and applicable industry standards.
- Documenting, and notifying appropriate persons of any known nonconformities
- Coordinating with the contractor's production personnel to schedule adequate time to perform inspections.
- Working inside my certified inspector credentials and qualifications as established by my employer and the SSPC PCI Program.
- Carrying out my inspection duties in a professional and courteous manner.

- Not accepting any gifts, money, favors, meals, services or anything else that threatens impartiality.
- Not telling a contractor how to do its work.
- Immediately reporting any attempted bribes or threats against others or myself to the appropriate persons in authority.
- Not recording any item as being inspected if information has not been properly verified.
- Refraining from endorsing or critiquing any proprietary product, any equipment item, any service, any project person, any contractor or engineer, any facility owner official, another inspector, or consultant while performing coating inspection duties (i.e. observe, assess, document and report).
- Reporting any conditions to the responsible parties (e.g. my superior, unless self-employed, or my client) that prevents me from performing and completing required inspections and related tasks.
- Treating all proprietary and security-related information as confidential.
- Being mindful of known safety conditions on the job site.

### **III. Maintain Professional Qualifications**

I also pledge to:

- Keep abreast of industry trends as they apply to coating inspection.

I agree to abide by the principles described above and I understand that if I'm found to have violated any of the aforementioned principles, disciplinary action can be brought against me by SSPC, following appropriate due process described in the Disciplinary Action Criteria.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_