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DOLE AND KASSEBAUM ANNOUNCE OSHA WORKER SAFETY GRANTS
AWARDED TO KANSAS ORGANIZATIONS

(WASHINGTON) -- Kansas Senators Bob Dole and Nancy Landon Kassebaum announced today that two grants have been awarded to Kansas organizations by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) for job safety education programs.

Kansas Electric Cooperatives Inc., in Topeka, was awarded a grant of \$110,000 to develop a program focusing on work-related education, training, and safety and health. The United Rubber, Cork, Linoleum, and Plastic Workers of America, Local 307 in Topeka, received a grant of \$90,000 to develop a similar program among their industrial workers. OSHA approves qualified applications for the promotion of worker safety education under the agency's "New Directions" program. Awards are made to non-profit business and industry organizations to improve the organization's efforts in delivering safety and health training in the workplace.

OSHA will distribute a total of \$6.2 million in "New Directions" grants during Fiscal Year 1985. Awards are made on the basis of an organization's ability to conduct a self-supporting, effective education program after five years. Both the Kansas Electric Cooperatives and the United Rubber Workers will receive their grants in mid-April.