



Dale Miller Logging: Preserving a Legacy of Safety

Founded by Dale Miller, his brother Kim, and Jock Sorrenson, Dale Miller Logging (now known as Kim Miller Logging) has been a prominent figure in the North Thompson Valley of Clearwater, BC for over 30 years and is a trusted Prime Contractor for Interfor. With a focus on Integrated Forest Management and Logging Road Construction and Maintenance, the company has established a strong reputation for its unwavering commitment to safety. Dale Miller's dedication to safety left a lasting impact on the industry, leading to the creation of the prestigious Dale Miller Safety Award by Interfor in 2021. Today, under the leadership of Kim Miller along with Dale's son Derek and Kim's son Morgan, the company continues to prioritize safety, honoring Dale's legacy and ensuring the well-being of its crew.



When Dale Miller passed away in 2020 he left behind a significant safety legacy. In recognition of his contributions, Interfor introduced the Dale Miller Safety Award the following year. The award acknowledges companies that uphold a safety-centric culture, ensuring the well-being of Interfor's contractors and employees each day and celebrates contractors who exhibit exemplary Safety Performance and Safety Culture, much like Dale Miller did throughout his three decades of service. It serves as a reminder of the paramount importance of safety within the industry and pays tribute to Dale's enduring commitment.

The Dale Miller Memorial Safety Award:

Crafted by Jesse Toso of Toso Wood Gallery in Vancouver, BC, the Dale Miller Memorial Safety Award is a symbol of Dale's unwavering dedication to safety. Carved out of a single piece of Cedar, the award features a hard hat and safety gloves, representing the core safety values Dale instilled in his company. The first presentation of this memorial trophy was awarded May 2021 to Kim Miller Logging (formerly Dale Miller Logging) who was rightfully awarded it for their continued commitment to outstanding Safety Culture and Performance.



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Throughout the years, the Miller family have taken significant measures to prioritize the safety of their crew. One legendary safety measure they introduced was the monthly “Breakfast with the Millers.” This tradition continues today, with Kim Miller leading the charge in maintaining safety and fostering strong relationships within the company. These breakfast meetings, held at the local hotel, serve as a platform for open dialogue, ensuring that safety remains at the forefront of every operation and reinforcing the tight-knit nature of the company. They are a great example of how collaboration can help build a strong safety culture and keep everyone on track to get home safely every day. 🌱



In-person Audit Reviews a Big Success at the Interior Logging Association Conference in Kamloops

By Mike Sexton, SAFE Companies Manager

During the ILA Conference in Kamloops from May 4 to 6, SAFE Companies Safety Advisors, Lisa Banner and Jerry Kirouac, and Quality Assurance Administrator, Michelle Maltesen, conducted 12 real-time audit reviews, resulting in a significant success.

Participants who took advantage of this opportunity had their audits promptly reviewed by a BCFSC Safety Advisor, receiving immediate results. The process was efficient and provided an excellent platform for participants to seek important clarifications and receive valuable feedback from BCFSC audit experts. Each audit review lasted between 30 to 45 minutes, proving to be a worthwhile investment of time for both the reviewer and the reviewee.

With the world returning to pre-COVID levels, SAFE Companies has plans to expand the number of audit reviews throughout 2023 and into 2024. If you would like to inquire about a real-time audit review for your company, contact SAFE Companies at 1-877-741-1060 or email SAFECo@bcforestsafesafe.org. 🌱

