GMB COASDA SPRING 2009



TELLANDY-LET'S SEE IF HEREALLY IS LISTENING

GMB, THE TRADE UNION RECOGNISED BY THE ASDA WAL-MART GROUP

GMB knows that the most effective way for a company to reduce accidents in a workplace, and look after the welfare and wellbeing of its workers, is to put in place independent safety committees.

There have been many accidents that ASDA workers have suffered whilst carrying out their duties, which to date have cost the company over £1.8 million in personal injury compensation. GMB believes that ASDA could provide better safeguards to its workers if it were to introduce a network of independent safety committees as the vast majority of private and public sector employers do.

ASDA, like their competitors, should be relaxed about introducing independent health and safety

GMB the union for ASDA workers is prepared to work with the company to introduce independent safety committees. GMB believe that these committees will protect our members and reduce ASDA's exposure to workplace injury claims.

committees. It makes sense.

'TELL ANDY'IS A COMPANY-WIDE STAFF SUGGESTION SCHEME FOR ASDA EMPLOYEES

GMB says take advantage of the scheme launched by ASDA in 1992 for any ASDA worker to submit an idea or a suggestion which could have benefit to the whole Company directly to Andy Bond, ASDA's Chief Executive. GMB members should use the 'Tell Andy' Suggestion Scheme to suggest if the company puts in place a network of independent health and safety committees that would help save ASDA, £1.8 million and improve the working environment, benefitting ASDA financially.



Dear Andy, TELL ANDY SUGGESTION SCHEME

I understand that ASDA have paid out over £1.8 million in personal injury compensation in the last five years, to workers who have had an accident in their store/depot. I would like to suggest that the company introduce a network of independent GMB health and safety committees. This would not only minimise the number of accidents but would also reduce the level of compensation paid out by the company.

It seems to me that if a voluntary GMB Safety Representative who costs the company nothing, could save £1.8 million you would at least give it a go. If it doesn't work, what have you lost—NOTHING.

I work at ASDA Store		
My name is:		
Try name is:		
ANDY, WHAT IS YOUR VIEW?		

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