G.D. Sheet Metal Corp. pleads guilty to two charges

(December 9, 2015) An Ontario Court has fined G.D. Sheet Metal Corp. for employing uncertified individuals to perform the job of sheet metal workers, a violation under the *Ontario College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2009, Section 4*.

On Dec. 9, 2015, G.D. Sheet Metal Corp. plead guilty and was fined \$150 plus a victim surcharge of \$25, for a total of \$175, for employing or otherwise engaging individuals in the practice of a compulsory trade without certification.

The court was told that on July 22, 2015, Ontario College of Trades (OCOT) enforcement officers conducted an inspection at a site located at 145 Jordensen Dr. in Brampton and discovered two individuals performing compulsory work as sheet metal workers while not having a Certificate of Qualification (C of Q) or being a member or apprentice in that trade.

The Ontario College of Trades is an industry-driven, professional regulatory body that protects the public by regulating and promoting the skilled trades. One of the main responsibilities of the College is to ensure that individuals performing the skills of compulsory trades have the training and certification required to legally practice this trade in Ontario.

In Ontario there are 22 trades designated as compulsory, which means an individual must have the necessary training and qualifications before he or she can do the work. The full list of compulsory trades can be found on the College's website.

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