Are you properly prepared to meet the requirements set forth in OSHA Standard 1926.502(d)(20)? According to this standard, “The employer shall provide for prompt rescue of employees in the event of a fall or shall assure that employees are able to rescue themselves.” Many companies rely on local emergency responders to help them meet this OSHA requirement; however, responders may not have the equipment necessary to perform rescues at your facility or the manpower to do so promptly. Can your employees realistically perform self-rescue?

This standard is one of OSHA’s more challenging regulations. Companies often hire RETTEW’s safety consultants to oversee and ensure proper rescue measures are in place. Often such measures are only cost-effective when used on large, critical jobs; however, new technology is making self-rescue a feasible option.

Prevention is always the best option and, if possible, avoiding the need for rescue is ideal. However, in reality, rescue situations exist and RETTEW is now an authorized dealer of user-friendly products to aid our clients in such circumstances. The HighWork product line includes several devices that allow you to maintain the safety of your employees while remaining complaint with OSHA standards. These devices are designed with ease-of-use in mind and as such require minimal training for their use.

To learn more about our HighWork product offering please contact Luke Lazar, or click here to see a demonstration of some of the fall-protection equipment in action. RETTEW’s Safety Consultants are available to provide fall protection training; fall rescue training; fall protection equipment inspection; fall protection plan development; and customized fall prevention and protection system design, fabrication, installation, and user training.