

NIOSH Tracking Number: XXXXX

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Ms. Jane Doe 123 Main Avenue Town, CO 12345

Dear Ms. Jane Doe:

This letter is to provide you with information on the status of the dose reconstruction for the claim you filed under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (NIOSH Tracking Number XXXXX).

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health's (NIOSH) Office of Compensation Analysis and Support (OCAS) has completed a reconstruction of the radiation dose. Enclosed you will find a copy of a Draft NIOSH Report of Dose Reconstruction under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA). During the next two weeks, we will attempt to contact you to schedule a convenient date and time for conducting a closing interview with you. The purpose of the closing interview is to review the dose reconstruction results and the basis on which the results were calculated. This will be the final opportunity during the dose reconstruction process for you to provide additional relevant information that may affect the dose reconstruction or indicate that you are in the process of obtaining such information. To facilitate the scheduling of the interview, you can contact us at the following telephone number 1-800-790-6728 (1-800-790-ORAU). If, after three weeks from the date of this letter, we have not heard back from you regarding a convenient time to schedule the interview, then we will assume that you have decided not to participate in the interview.

We have also enclosed a copy of a form (OCAS-1) that should be signed and returned to us within 60 days. In the event that NIOSH prepares a revised draft dose reconstruction report based upon any additional information provided by you, then the OCAS-1 form will be due no later than 60 days from the date you receive the revised draft dose reconstruction report. Your signature on this form certifies that you agree with the following statements: 1) you are not aware of any additional information that may be relevant to the dose reconstruction; 2) you have reviewed the draft dose reconstruction report and agree that it identifies all of the relevant information you provided to NIOSH regarding the dose reconstruction; and 3) the dose reconstruction report is ready to be forwarded to the Department of Labor (DOL) for a determination regarding your claim. Your signature on this form is not an indication that you agree with the decisions NIOSH made concerning how to use or not use information you provided for dose reconstruction or that you agree with the findings of the NIOSH dose reconstruction. DOL's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) will notify you of any action that it may take regarding your claim, and of any rights you may have to raise objections. You will have an opportunity to raise objections to the final NIOSH Dose Reconstruction Report under EEOICPA following your receipt of a copy of the recommended decision on your claim from DOL by following the procedures described in the notice accompanying the recommended decision.

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Once we receive the signed OCAS-1 form from you, we will send the final copy of the dose reconstruction report to the DOL for adjudication of your claim. We will also send you and the Department of Energy a copy of the final dose reconstruction report. It is important that you return the properly signed OCAS-1 to us within the above-described time frame so that there is no delay in the adjudication of your claim. We will not forward the dose reconstruction report to DOL for adjudication without receipt of a properly signed OCAS-1. If we do not receive the OCAS-1 within the timeframe described above, we may administratively close the dose reconstruction and notify DOL of this action. PLEASE USE THE ENCLOSED PRE-ADDRESSED, POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE TO RETURN THE SIGNED OCAS-1 TO US.

If you have any additional questions regarding this dose reconstruction report, please contact our dose reconstruction contractor, Oak Ridge Associated Universities, toll-free at 1-800-322-0111.

Sincerely yours,

Larry J. Elliott, MSPH, CIH
Director
Office of Compensation Analysis and Support

Enclosures

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