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			New document to determine affect of			
12/9/2011	12/9/2011	0	revising the Harshaw TBD on previously			
			completed claims.			

1.0 <u>Description</u>

Revision 1 of the Harshaw Chemical Company Technical Basis Document (ORAUT-TKBS-0022) was issued on 6/2/2009. This document superseded the previous revision issued 8/17/2007.

2.0 Issue Evaluation

Several editorial changes and clarifications were included in the revision however these changes do not affect the estimated dose. Some changes may have decreased the dose but the only significant increase in the dose estimate is caused by an increase in the estimated intake rate for type S uranium from 12/1/1949 to 12/31/1953. The values are listed in Table 5-6 of both revisions.

3.0 Plan for Resolution or Corrective Action

3.1 Determining the potential population of claims

The criteria used to determine the population of claims potentially affected by this revision are:

- 1. Probability of Causation (PC) less than 50%;
- 2. Most recent version of the dose reconstruction approved by DCAS on or prior to June 2, 2009
- 3. Employed at the Harshaw Chemical Company between December 1, 1949 and December 31, 1953.

These criteria were used to generate the list of 6 potentially affected claims.

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3.2 Determination of claims which will not change due to TBD revision.

Of the six claims meeting the selection criteria, one was not affected because the intake was originally calculated using the individuals own bioassay data. The current revision of the TBD indicates this data should still be used if available so no change would occur to the dose estimate based on the TBD revision.

The dose for each of the remaining 5 claims was recalculated using all current dose reconstruction methods including the current version of the TBD. From that recalculated dose, a new probability of causation was determined. The new probability of causation was less than 45% for each of the five claims. Therefore none of the claims would now exceed a PC of 50% and so NIOSH will not ask DOL to return any of the previously completed Harshaw Chemical Company claims based on the revision to the TBD.