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Ms. Rachel Leiton
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Washington, D.C. 20210

Dear Ms. Leiton:

On behalf of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and as required by 42 C.F.R. § 83.17(c), I am notifying you of the final effect of the HHS decision to designate a class of employees at the Oak Ridge Hospital in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. On December 10, 2009, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. § 7384q(b), the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

All employees of the Department of Energy, its predecessor agencies, and its contractors and subcontractors who worked in any location at the Oak Ridge Hospital in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, from May 15, 1950 through December 31, 1959, for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days or in combination with work days within the parameters established for one or more other classes of employees in the SEC.

This designation became effective on January 9, 2010, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. § 7384/(14)(C). Hence, beginning on January 9, 2010, members of this class of employees, defined as reported in this notice, became members of the SEC.

Sincerely,

Stuart L. Hinnefeld, Interim Director Office of Compensation Analysis and Support National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health