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Larry Elliott, director Office of Compensation Analysis and Support, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Dear Mr. Elliott,

I am responding to you about an article in the Tri-City Herald dated Friday, January 20, 2006 concerning the possible change in the rules for former Hanford workers with lymphoma cancers. After visiting the Federal Register web site to see what the changes might be, I found out that that they were not easy for me to find. I did not know how to find them or to even look them up. After a few try's I gave up. If some one can send me information on where to look I would appreciate it. And tell me what effect these will have on past claims? And please remember that I am not a lawyer or a highly educated person, so if the explanation can be in simple terms that I might understand, I would greatly appreciate it.

These inquiries are to help my mom who is a survivor to my dads claim. Below I will include my dad's full name and claim number for you to reference to. I believe my mom has sent in the proper information to your organization so that you can give me information concerning my dads claim. And the possible changes to it that these new rules might accomplish. I will also include my mom's information so that she may be copied also.

And finally the article asked for comments on the proposed changes, my father worked most of his adult life in the Hanford Area. He was a proud man who sacrificed a lot of his time and effort to helping the missions at Hanford succeed. And thru those efforts we believe that he contracted his cancer (Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma with bone marrow) while performing his duties there. So any rule change that would help my mom receive the compensation she deserves because of the sacrifice and loss she, and the rest of our family has had would be only fair. So please consider this letter a show of support toward those changes.

Thank you,

Survivor:

Son: