NIOSH Program Update

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Overall Initial Claim Information

- 38,946 cases have been referred to NIOSH for dose reconstruction (DR)
- 36,859 (95%) cases have been returned to DOL
 - Cases submitted with a DR report
 32,335
 - Cases currently pulled from DR by DOL 1,272
 - Cases currently pulled from DR for SEC
 3,252
- 1,445 (3%) cases remain at NIOSH for dose reconstruction
- 642 (2%) cases were administratively closed







Overview of Active Cases

- Of the 1,445 cases remaining at NIOSH for dose reconstruction:
 - 322 cases in the dose reconstruction process
 - 211 initial draft dose reconstruction reports in the hands of claimants, and NIOSH awaiting the return of the OCAS-1 form
 - 912 cases in development to begin the dose reconstruction







Summary of PoCs for Completed Dose Reconstructions

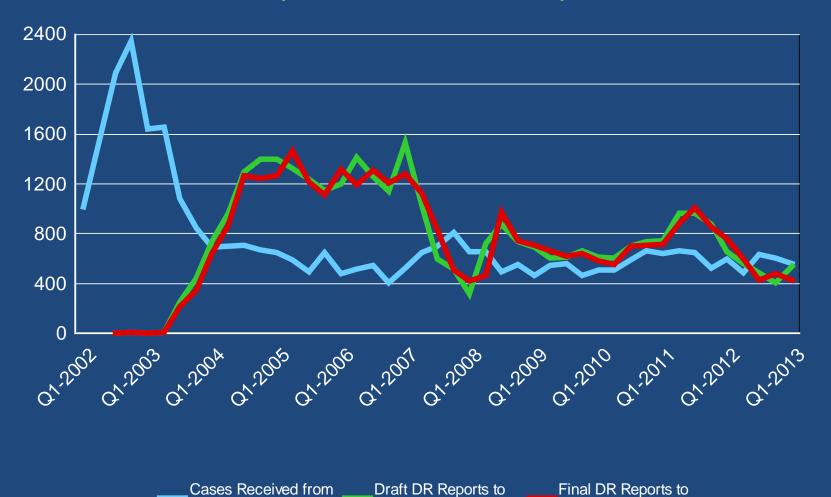
- Of the 32,335 dose reconstructions sent back to DOL for final adjudication:
 - 9,274 cases had a PoC (probability of causation) ≥ 50%
 - 23,061 cases had a PoC < 50%





Submittals vs. Production

(as of December 31, 2012)



Claimants



DOL





DOL

Status of First 5,000 Claims

- 4,863 claims at DOL
 - 267 pulled for DOL issues
 - 390 pulled for SEC
 - 4,206 submitted with DR
- 118 claims at NIOSH
 - 81 administratively closed
 - 10 DRs with claimants (DOL reworks/reinstated within past year)
 - 12 DRs in process (DOL reworks/reinstated within past year)
 - 15 gathering information
- 19 claim numbers deleted







Status of First 10,000 Claims

- 9,768 claims at DOL
 - 444 pulled for DOL issues
 - 1,017 pulled for SEC
 - 8,307 submitted with DR
- 202 claims at NIOSH
 - 149 administratively closed
 - 11 DRs with claimants (1 initial; 10 DOL reworks within past year)
 - 26 DRs in process (3 initial; 23 DOL reworks within past year)
 - 16 gathering information
- 30 claim numbers deleted







DOE Response to Requests for Exposure Records

(as of February 28, 2013)

Number of outstanding requests 298

Outstanding requests > 60 days 56





Special Exposure Cohort Summary

(as of March 2013)

-	Petitions received		209
•	Petitions in qualification process		0
•	Petitions qualified for evaluation		128
	NIOSH evaluation in progress	0	
	NIOSH evaluation completed	128	
	 SEC Evaluation Reports with the Advisory Board for recommendation 	2	
•	Petitions not qualifying for evaluation		81*

^{*} Petitions not qualifying include 5 petitions received prior to the rule becoming final and Petition 34 where the site was de-listed.







Special Exposure Cohort Summary—cont.

(as of March 2013)

- 99 SEC classes have been added since May 2005
 - 56 (55%) through the 83.13 process
 - 43 (45%) through the 83.14 process
- 18 SEC classes have been denied since May 2005
- The added classes represent classes of workers from 70 sites



