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Please respond by U.S. Mail to address below

Re: Energy Employee: Mr.  
NIOSH Tracking Number  
And: Public Docket Number 021—Comments for the Y-12 National Security Complex Documents

Dear NIOSH Representative:

I am a claimant under the EEOICPA. I have received your most recent report, dated July 2004, on the status of my claim. Please make the following correction to my file.

My husband, \_\_\_\_\_, worked for Union Carbide at the Y-12 Plant from \_\_\_\_\_ and again from \_\_\_\_\_. From \_\_\_\_\_ he was forced to return to active duty in the military because of circumstances arising out of his employment at Y-12, as outlined below. He died of primary pancreatic cancer in \_\_\_\_\_. These facts are detailed in my original written claim, submitted July 31, 2001, and confirmed by a later telephone interview.

I completed the telephone interview segment of my application 11/9/03, in which I told the interviewer that \_\_\_\_\_ had been involved in a contamination incident sometime in late \_\_\_\_\_ or early \_\_\_\_\_. I do not know the specific date because he took his security clearance very seriously and did not discuss his work with me. However, it became very apparent in \_\_\_\_\_ that he had experienced some sort of severe health-threatening event, because he suffered rapid and traumatic physical deterioration, including losing his hair and most of his teeth. He had ongoing health problems from that time for the rest of his life. As a military reserve officer, he was advised by a senior officer that it would be wise to return to the military to secure a future for himself and our family and to provide for what he knew would be ongoing medical care. During this difficult time for our family, he admitted to me that he had been in a contamination accident at Y-12. In his condition, he was unable to take a physical examination, and was forced to start over in the military as an enlisted man. I am very sure about these facts because of the critical lifelong consequences for our entire family.

The telephone interviewer did not correctly transcribe my answer about this incident, and wrote that I said the incident happened in \_\_\_\_\_. I caught this when I reviewed the transcript that was sent to me. I attempted to correct the error by phone several times, but was unable to contact anyone.

The researchers at Y-12 were unable to confirm that such an incident occurred in \_\_\_\_\_. I believe this may be because they did not investigate a broad enough time frame.

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I have referred to the Site Profile Documents page on the website to attempt to verify that such an event may have been reported by others sometime during the times I have indicated. The links to Y-12 Documents have been removed at this time because they are under review.

Please advise me how I may correct the record of my telephone interview so that my completed claim file will be accurate and consistent with the earlier written claim that I submitted. I would also like for my report of the contamination incident to be added to the comments to the site documents for Y-12.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please respond to me by mail, at my address below.

Sincerely,

To Whom It May Concern:

I have assisted my mother with the compilation of information and completion of applications throughout this claim process. We have reconstructed dates based on verifiable family milestones, such as the family move that was required when my father went back into the military. We are certain that that occurred in the summer of \_\_\_\_\_ because it was between my kindergarten and first grade years in school. The timeline of the events as she has submitted them coincides with my memories of those years, and I am very familiar with the ongoing health problems that my father suffered.

We appreciate your consideration of this request.

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