

Attachment C - Telephone Interviews with Claimants/Coworkers and Introductory Letters

NIOSH Tracking Number:

Date:

Name
Address
City, ST Zip

Dear Name:

I am writing on behalf of the ORAU Team, the contractor assisting the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) with your dose reconstruction. We would like to ask you some specific questions about your work history and radiation exposure.

I would also like to let you know that your participation is voluntary. If you would like to talk with us, the information collected will be treated in a secure manner and will not be disclosed, unless otherwise compelled by law. The information you provide to us will be shared with staff working for NIOSH and the Department of Labor (DOL), both of whom have roles in this compensation program. If you have any special needs for the call (to discuss classified information, hearing impairments, Spanish-speaking interview, etc.) we will make arrangements to meet those special needs.

After we have talked with you, we will send you a summary report of the information that we talked about during the call. Once the report is complete and you have had time to look at it and comment on it, your claim will continue in the dose reconstruction process.

So that you know what to expect during the call, I have enclosed a list of the questions that we would like to ask you. Some things to keep in mind with these questions:

- You are not expected to answer or know all of the information in the questions. These questions cover a broad range of information. Also, we do not want or expect you to search for any of this information.
- We have included the questions so that you can jot down any thoughts you may have while looking over the questions. You do not need to fill out the questions and return them to us. We will take the information from you over the phone.
- We will look over the information you give us during the call when we are ready to start the dose reconstruction for your claim. Please keep in mind that the technical documents we use for doing your dose reconstruction may already include some or all of the information you might give us during the call. If you have given us additional information that is not covered in our technical documents, it will be used to complete your dose reconstruction.

When you have looked over the enclosed questions and feel that you are ready to schedule your call, please contact the ORAU Team toll-free at 1-800-790-6728 (1-800-790-ORAU) and ask to schedule your call to discuss your work history and cancer information. Our hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern time, but we have found that calls placed between 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. may experience a shorter wait time for you.

Feel free to call our toll-free number if you have any questions about this letter. You may also get more information on ORAU at www.oraucoc.org.

Sincerely,

Claimant Communications
ORAU Team
Dose Reconstruction Project for NIOSH

Enclosure

EEOICPA Dose Reconstruction Telephone Interview Questions
Claimant is Covered Employee

As you may know, NIOSH is responsible for estimating the occupational radiation doses received by persons with cancer applying for compensation under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program. Our contractor, Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU), will be speaking with you and asking the questions listed on the following pages.

These questions will provide you with the chance to let us know any additional information about your work history that might not be found in the exposure monitoring information we receive from the Department of Energy (DOE) or Atomic Weapons Employer (AWE). While we encourage all claimants to talk to us about their work history, your participation is voluntary.

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- You are not expected to answer or know all of the information in the questions. These questions cover a broad range of information. Also, we do not want or expect you to search for any of this information.
- We are giving you a copy of these questions so that you know what to expect during the call. While looking over the questions, you can jot down any thoughts you may have. You do not need to fill out the questions and return them to us. We will take the information from you over the phone.
- We will look over the information you give us during the phone call when we are ready to start the dose reconstruction for your claim. Please keep in mind that the technical documents we use for doing your dose reconstruction may already include some or all of the information you might give us during the call. If you have given us additional information that is not covered in our technical documents, it will be used to complete your dose reconstruction.

This should take no more than an hour. If we need to, we can divide this into a couple of shorter phone calls. If you have any special needs for the call (to discuss classified information, hearing impairments, Spanish-speaking interview, etc.) we will make arrangements to meet those special needs.