Ms. Rachel Leiton  
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U.S. Department of Labor  
Room C-4511  
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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(d), I am notifying you of the final effect of the HHS decision to designate a class of employees from the Blockson Chemical Company, Joliet, Illinois, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. On September 3, 2010, 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 Atomic Weapons Employer employees who worked at the Blockson Chemical Company in Joliet, Illinois from March 1, 1951 to June 30, 1960, for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days, occurring either solely under this employment, or in combination with work days within the parameters established for one or more other classes of employees included in the Special Exposure Cohort.

This designation became effective on October 3, 2010, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. § 7384(l)(14)(C). Hence, beginning on October 3, 2010, members of this class of employees, defined as reported in this notice, became members of the SEC.

Sincerely,

Stuart L. Hinnefeld, Interim Director  
Division of Compensation Analysis and Support  
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