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**NIOSH ALERT "Preventing chronic Beryllium disease and Beryllium Sensitization"**

pg 4 Cancer The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) also list beryllium as a "Confirmed Human Carcinogen".

pg 6. Skin Exposure It may be good to put a bit more emphasis on the problems associated with dermal penetration/absorption. This is beginning to be an area in which other elements are receiving attention, e.g., lead (Pb).

pg. 9. Recommendations. If doing a wet wiping of possible contaminated surfaces, moisten the cloth (being used for wiping) before doing the wiping. Wetting the surface with a spray as from a 409 bottle, may simply aerosolize contaminants from the surface.

Thank you.