

NIOSH Program Update

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Program News

- DCAS staff updates
- Revisions to Advisory Board Web page
 - Table listing SEC petitions currently with the Advisory Board for consideration
 - Former page has now been divided into several smaller pages
 - Advisory Board meetings
 - Recommendations on SEC petitions
 - Correspondence and miscellaneous items
 - Reports from the technical support contractor
 - Technical support for the review of NIOSH dose reconstruction program

Current Work Activities of the Advisory Board

SEC Petitions Currently with the Advisory Board for Consideration

Work Site/ Facility ¹	Received by NIOSH	Qualified for Evaluation	Employee Class Under Consideration	Sent to Advisory Board
General Steel Industries (GSI)	2/25/08	5/15/08	All employees from January 1, 1953 through June 30, 1966, and during the residual radiation period from July 1, 1966 through December 31, 1992	10/3/08 ²
Hanford	11/10/09	4/29/10	All employees who were internally monitored (urine or fecal), who worked at the Plutonium Finishing Plant in the 200 Area from January 1, 1987 through December 31, 1989	5/6/11 ²
Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)	4/3/08	5/29/08	Service Support Workers (which includes, but is not limited to, security guards, firefighters, laborers, custodians, carpenters, plumbers	2/5/09 ²

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Program News—cont.

- Redesign of SEC section on the individual site pages
 - Contains more information on the number of petitions received, classes added to the SEC, and petitions currently under consideration
 - Petition information is displayed in a table format
 - For sites with multiple petitions, a table is displayed for each petition
 - Project is in-progress; SEC sections for 18 individual site pages have been reformatted

Special Exposure Cohort Petition Information for Hanford

Open/Active SEC Petitions

There are currently two open/active SEC petitions from Hanford ([Petition 155](#) and [Petition 201](#)). To see what actions remain for this/these SEC petitions, please refer to the appropriate table below.

Classes Added to the SEC

- All employees of the Department of Energy, its predecessor agencies, and its contractors and subcontractors who worked in any area at the Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico, from January 1, 1949 through December 31, 1962, 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 in the Special Exposure Cohort.

(Note: This class was established from [Petition 57](#))

- Employees of the Department of Energy (DOE), its predecessor agencies, and DOE contractors or subcontractors who worked from September 1, 1946 through December 31, 1961 in the 300 area, or January 1, 1949 through December 31, 1968 in the 200 areas (East and West) at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation in Richland, Washington, 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 in the Special Exposure Cohort.

(Note: This class was established from [Petition 57](#))

Petitions Qualified for Evaluation

To date, six petitions from Hanford have qualified for evaluation. Below you will find a table for each petition. The left-hand column of the tables below shows the various steps in the SEC petitioning process. The right-hand column of the tables contain information related to the specific Hanford petition.

Below is a list of the petitions that qualified for evaluation. Select a petition on the list to view to the table for that particular petition.

- [Petition 50](#) (January 1943 through September 1, 1946, and December 1944 through September 1, 1946 timeframe qualified for evaluation)--This petition was merged with Petition 57. Therefore, the specific table for Petition 50 contains limited information. Please refer to Petition 57 for detailed information on this petition.
- [Petition 57](#) (January 2, 1942 through December 31, 1990 timeframe qualified for evaluation)
- [Petition 78](#) (April 25, 1967 through February 1, 1971 timeframe qualified for evaluation)--This petition was merged with Peition 57. Therefore, the specific table for Petition 78 contains limited information. Please refer to Petition 57 for detailed information on this petition.
- [Petition 152](#) (October 1, 1943 through June 30, 1972 timeframe qualified for evaluation)
- [Petition 155](#) (January 1, 1987 through December 31, 1989 timeframe qualified for evaluation)
- [Petition 201](#) (July 1, 1972 to December 31, 1983 timeframe qualified for evaluation)

Petition 50

Date Received

January 12, 2006

Date Qualified for Evaluation

November 9, 2006

Summary of Information in Petition

Job Titles and/or Job Duties: All former Dupont Production workers in the 100 area and 300 area from January 1943 through September 1, 1946, and all 200 area production workers and all Guards and construction workers from December 1944 through September 1, 1946.

Period of Employment: see above

Note: The information above is what qualified for evaluation. During our evaluation of whether dose reconstructions can adequately be completed for the above job titles and period of employment, information may cause NIOSH to change some the dates or job titles/duties. Therefore, as this petition proceeds through the SEC petitioning process and if an SEC class is proposed, the proposed class may not exactly match the above information.

Copy of the Petition Received

Part 1

[Pages 1-64](#)

 PDF 1.3 MB (64 pages)

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Overall Initial Claim Information

(as of May 31, 2012)

- 37,055 cases have been referred to NIOSH for dose reconstruction
- 35,258 (95%) cases have been returned to DOL
 - Cases submitted with a DR report **30,941**
 - Cases currently pulled from DR by DOL **1,249**
 - Cases currently pulled from DR for SEC **3,068**
- 1,122 (3%) cases remained at NIOSH for dose reconstruction
- 675 (2%) cases were administratively closed

Overview of Active Cases

(as of May 31, 2012)

- Of the 1,122 cases remaining at NIOSH for dose reconstruction:
 - 237 cases in the dose reconstruction process
 - 220 initial draft dose reconstruction reports in the hands of claimants, and NIOSH awaiting the return of the OCAS-1 form
 - 665 cases in development to begin the dose reconstruction

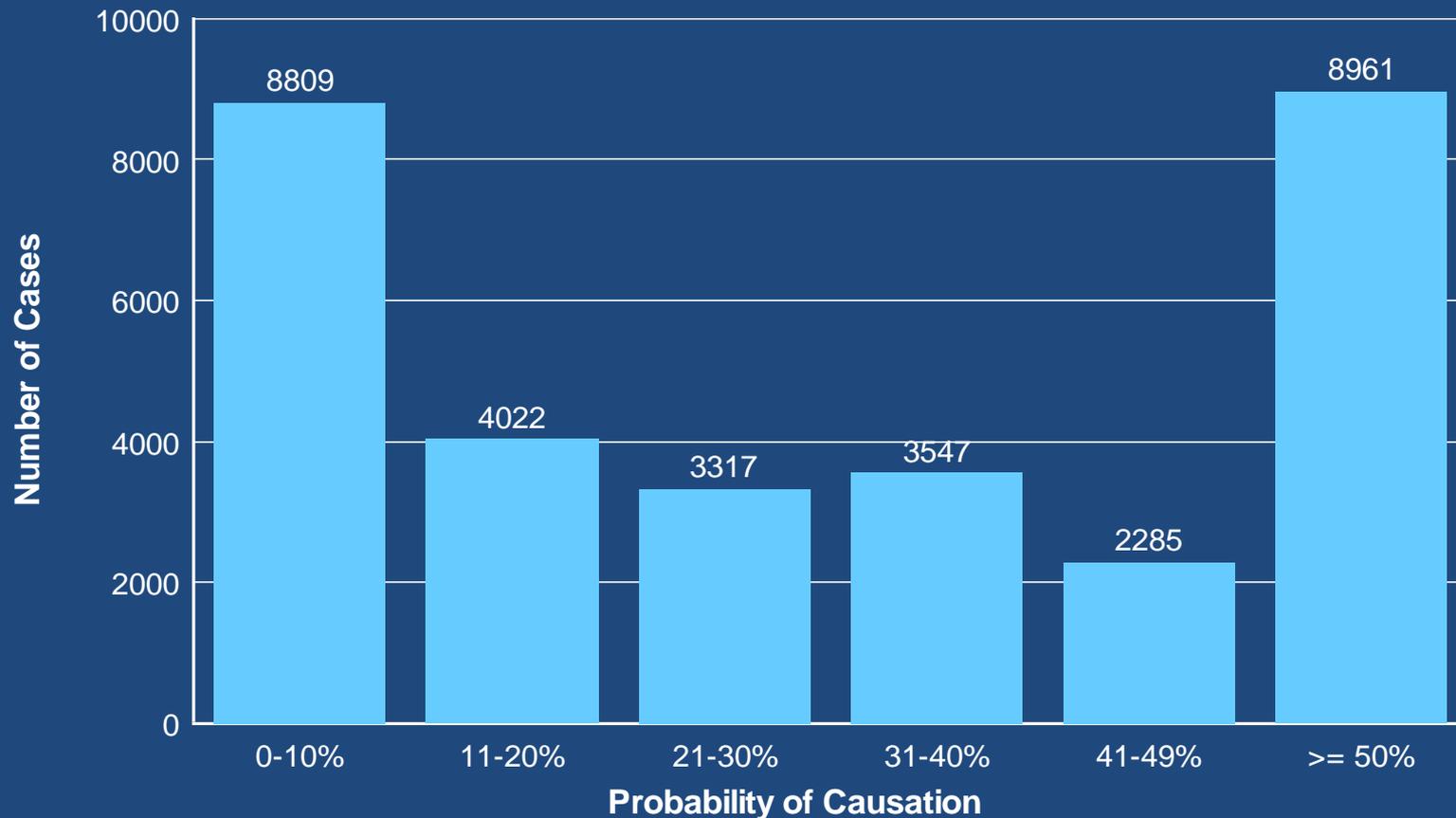
Summary of PoCs for Completed Dose Reconstructions

(as of January 31, 2012)

- Of the 30,941 dose reconstructions sent back to DOL for final adjudication:
 - 8,969 (29%) cases had a PoC \geq 50%
 - 21,972 (71%) cases had a PoC $<$ 50%

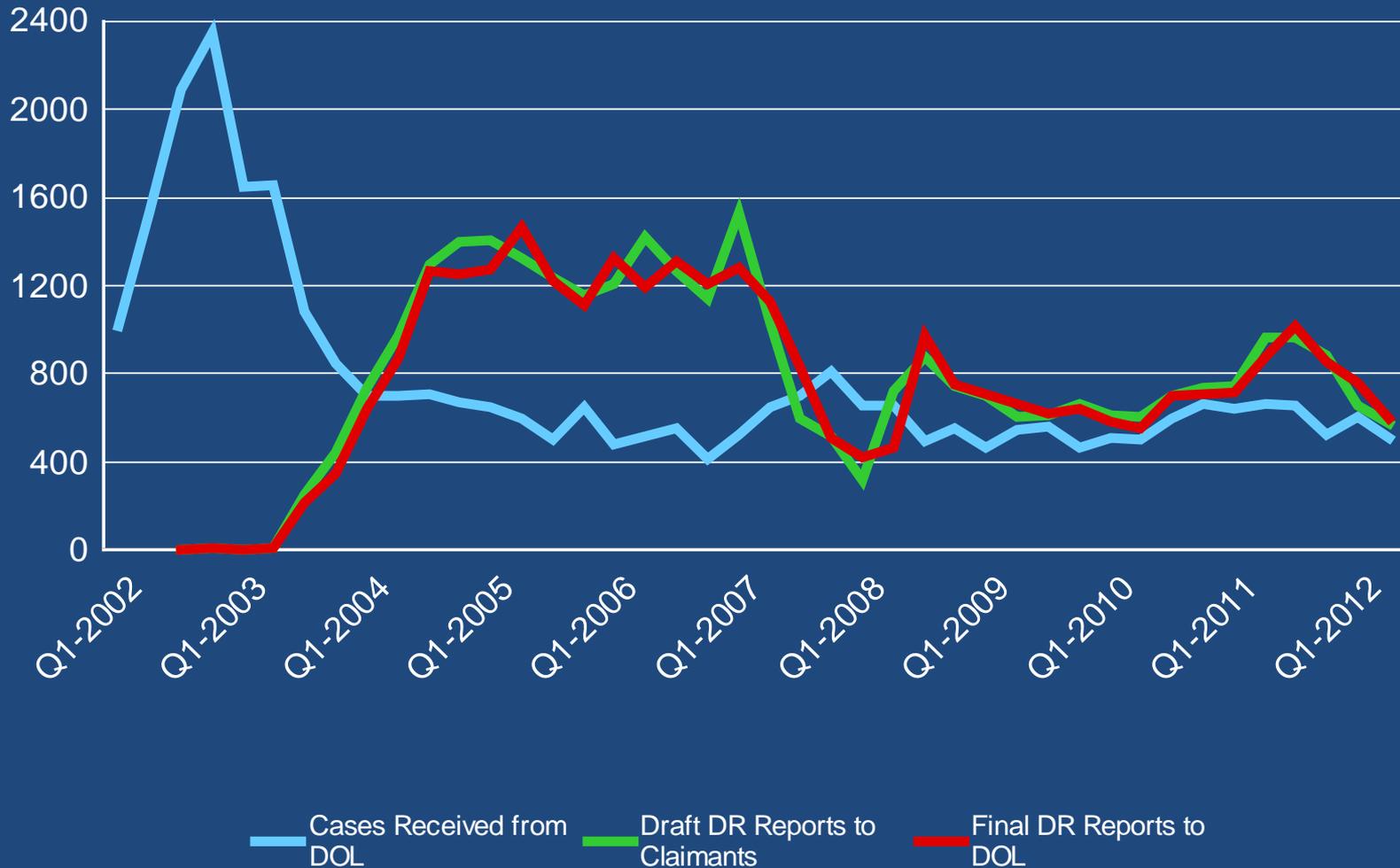
Distribution of PoC for Cases Sent to DOL

(as of May 31, 2012)



Submittals vs. Production

(as of March 31, 2012)



Status of First 5,000 Claims

(as of May 31, 2012)

- 4,873 claims at DOL
 - 285 pulled for DOL issues
 - 378 pulled for SEC
 - 4,210 submitted with DR

- 108 claims at NIOSH
 - 95 admin closed
 - 3 DRs with claimants (DOL reworks/reinstated within past year)
 - 9 DRs in process (DOL reworks/reinstated within past year)
 - 1 gathering information

- 19 claim numbers deleted

Status of First 10,000 Claims

(as of May 31, 2012)

- **9773 claims at DOL**
 - 462 pulled for DOL issues
 - 1001 pulled for SEC
 - 8,310 submitted with DR

- **197 claims at NIOSH**
 - 169 admin closed
 - 7 DRs with claimants (0 initial; 7 DOL reworks within past year)
 - 20 DRs in process (7 initial; 19 DOL reworks within past year)
 - 0 gathering information

- **30 claim numbers deleted**

DOE Response to Requests for Exposure Records

(as of May 31, 2012)

- Number of outstanding requests 186
- Outstanding requests > 60 days 41

Special Exposure Cohort Summary

(as of June 12, 2012)

■ Petitions received	204
■ Petitions in qualification process	1
■ Petitions qualified for evaluation	125
• NIOSH evaluation in progress	5
• NIOSH evaluation completed	120
– SEC Evaluation Reports with the Advisory Board for recommendation	12
■ Petitions not qualifying for evaluation	79

Note: Petitions not qualifying include five petitions received prior to the rule becoming final and Petition 34 where the site was de-listed.

Special Exposure Cohort Summary—cont.

(as of June 12, 2012)

- 89 SEC classes have been added since May 2005
 - 51 (57%) through the 83.13 process
 - 38 (43%) through the 83.14 process
- 14 SEC classes have been denied since May 2005
- Represents classes of workers from 63 sites
- Represents 4,081 potential claims