# NIOSH Advisory Board Presentation



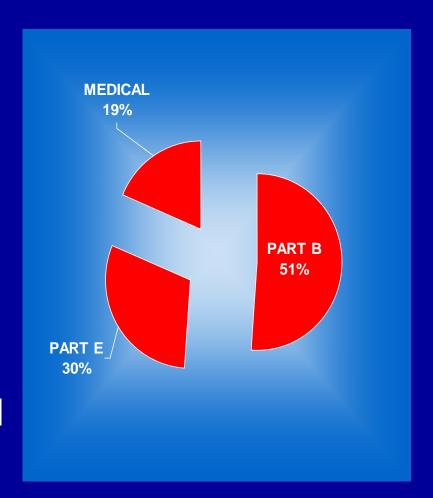
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#### **Enactment of EEOICPA**

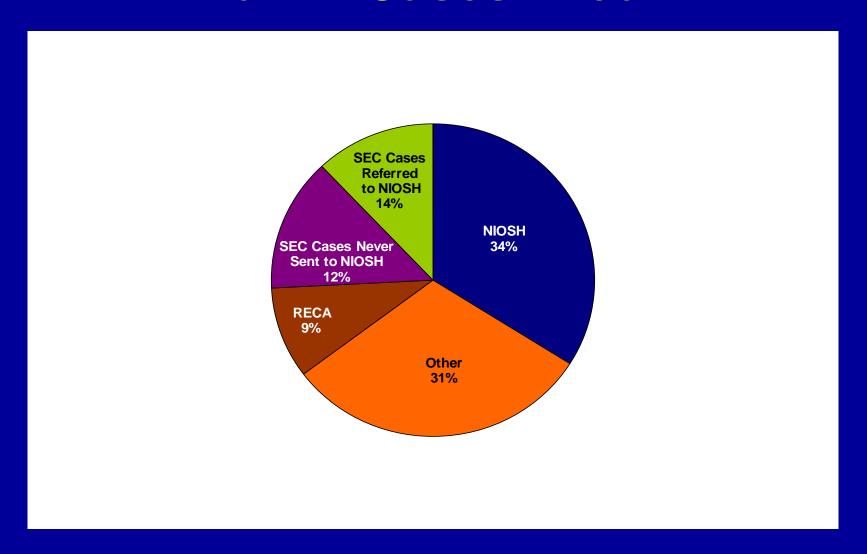
- Enacted October 2000
  - Part B, mandatory federal entitlement, by DOL
  - Part D, state workers comp. assistance, by DOE
- Amendments October 2004
  - Abolished Part D, created federal Part E, transferred to DOL
- 172,565 cases filed, over \$10.6 billion total compensation paid to date
- Agencies: Labor, Energy, HHS, Justice
- DOL locations
  - DC, Jacksonville, Cleveland, Denver, and Seattle

## **EEOICPA Compensation**

- \$10.6 Billion Total Compensation
- \$5.43 Billion Part B
- \$3.25 Billion Part E
- \$1.97 Billion Medical



### **Part B Cases Filed**

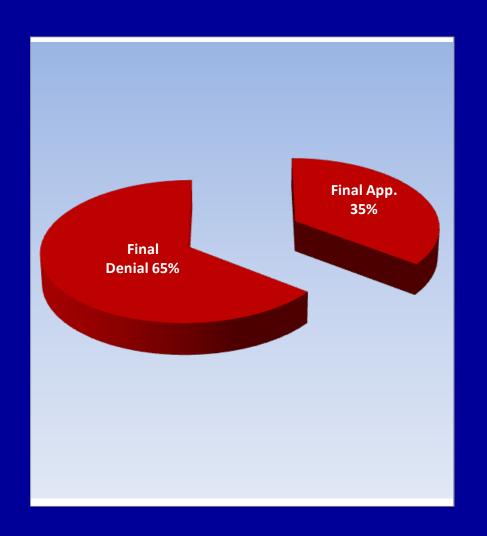


## Part B – Status & Location of NIOSH Referrals

- 42,233 Cases Referred to NIOSH for Dose Reconstruction
- 40,305 Cases Returned by NIOSH
  - 34,458 with Dose Reconstruction
  - 5,847 without Dose Reconstruction
- 1,928 Cases Currently at NIOSH

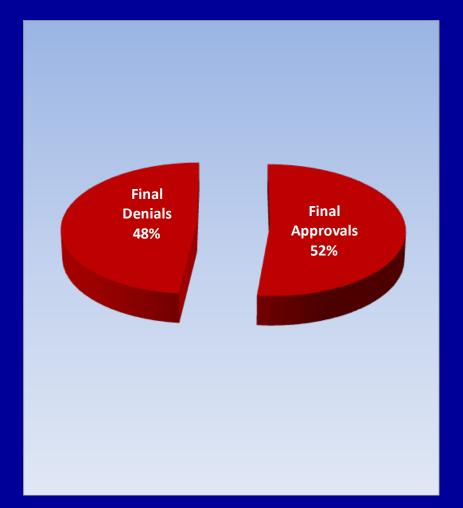
## Part B – Cases w/ Dose Reconstruction and Final Decision

- 34,458 Cases returned by NIOSH w/ a Dose Reconstruction (DR)
- 27,736 Cases w/ DR and a Final Decision
  - 9,822 Final Approvals (POC 50% or Greater)
  - 17,914 Final Denials (POC less than 50%)



# Part B Cases w/ a Final Decision

- 85,603 Cases have been issued a Final Decision under Part B
  - 44,240 Approvals
  - 41,363 Denials



## Part B Cancer Cases w/ Final Decision to Accept

- Accepted DR Cases 9,074
  - 12,828 Payees
  - \$ 1.34 Billion in Compensation
- Accepted SEC Cases 21,317
  - 35,363 Payees
  - \$3.18 Billion in Compensation
- Cases Accepted Based on SEC Status and POC ≥ 50% 711
  - 851 Payees
  - \$106.7 Million in Compensation
- Totals: All Accepted SEC, DR Cases, and Combined 31,102
  - 49,042 Payees
  - \$4.6 Billion in Compensation

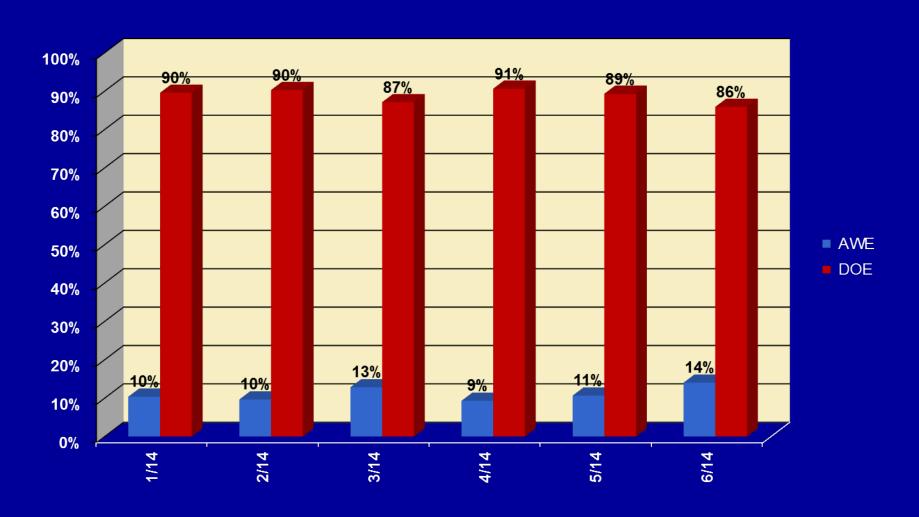
## **Top Four Worksites**

The top 4 worksites generating new Part B EEOICPA cases from 4/1/2014 to 6/30/2014:

- Hanford
- Savannah River Site
- Rocky Flats Plant
- Los Alamos National Laboratory

Data as of June 30, 2014

## Percentage of New Cases DOE vs. AWE



#### **DEEOIC Outreach Events**

- In response to new SECs DEEOIC conducts:
  - Town hall meetings and traveling resource centers
  - In cases of small SECs press releases are issued

- Hosting informational meetings regarding medical benefits provided under the EEOICPA:
  - In some cases, held in conjunction with SEC town hall meetings

### Joint Outreach Task Group (JOTG)

#### Members:

- DEEOIC
- Department of Energy (DOE)
- DOE Former Worker Medical Screening Program
- National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)
- Ombudsman to NIOSH for the EEOICPA
- DOL's Office of the Ombudsman for the EEOICPA
- Monthly conference calls with all members

### **Recent DEEOIC Outreach Events**

Location & Date	Attendance	Claims Taken at Outreach Event
Pahrump, NV May 6, 2014	201	21
Las Vegas, NV May 6 & 7, 2014		
*JOTG Town Hall Meetings		
Cromwell, CT June 19, 2014	70	12
* Program Overview & Medical Benefits Town Hall Meetings		
Attleboro, MA June 18, 2014	140	15
* Program Overview & Medical Benefits Town Hall Meetings		
Moab, UT June 24 & 25, 2014	243	11
* Program Overview Town Hall Meetings		

#### **Upcoming DEEOIC Outreach Events**

## Medical Benefits Town Hall Meetings (dates to be announced):

August 2014
North Augusta City Hall
100 Georgia Avenue
North Augusta, SC 29841

September 2014 Buffalo, New York

#### Program Overview Town Hall Meeting:

September 2014 Rochester, New York

## SEC Petition Site Discussions ABRWH Agenda July 2014

	General Atomics California	Simonds Saw and Steel Co.	Idaho National Engineering	Argonne National Lab – West
Cases (Claims) Part B & E	398 (548)	373 (631) Part B only	5,064 (7,123)	1,003 (1,384)
Cases Returned by NIOSH w/ DR	89	190	1,529	306
Final Decisions (Part B)	188	366	2,236	412
Part B Approvals	87	122	599	102
Part E Approvals	57	N/A	875	193
Total Comp. & Medical Bills Paid	\$18 Million	\$18.3 Million	\$172 Million	\$34.3 Million

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Handout Slides
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## **Employee Eligibility**

<b>Employed By</b>	Part B	Part E
DOE Contractors and Subcontractors	Yes	Yes
DOE Federal Employees	Yes	No
AWE Employees	Yes	No
Beryllium Vendors	Yes	No
RECA	Yes	Yes

## **Covered Conditions**

Condition	Part B	Part E
CBD	Yes	Yes
Beryllium Sensitivity	Medical Monitoring Only	Yes
<b>Chronic Silicosis</b>	Yes	Yes
Cancer	Yes	Yes
Any condition related to toxic exposure	No	Yes

## **Survivor Definition**

Type	Part B	Part E
Spouse at time of death	Yes	Yes
Children - under age 18; under age 23 if full-time student; or any age if medically incapable of self-support	Yes	Yes
Adult Children	Yes	No

### **Benefits**

Part B	Part E
\$150,000 Employee + Survivor	Impairment \$2,500 per % (Employee)
\$50,000 RECA Employee + Survivor	Wage Loss \$10,000- \$15,000 per year (Employee)
	\$125,000 Survivor
\$400,000 CAP for B+E combined	