



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20201

April 21, 2011

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr.  
President of the United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

Pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 and 42 C.F.R. pt. 83, a petition was filed on behalf of workers from the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York to be added to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) evaluated the petition and presented its findings to the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (Board) on February 24, 2011. The Board considered the petition, and on March 22, 2011, I received the Board's recommendation concerning this petition. I have also received the deliberations, findings, and recommendations of the Director of NIOSH and the Director of CDC. Based on this information, I have designated the following class for addition to the SEC:

All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York, from January 1, 1954 through December 31, 1969, 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.

The criteria and findings upon which this designation is based are provided in the enclosed report.

Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Kathleen Sebelius  
Secretary

Enclosure



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20201

April 21, 2011

The Honorable Harry Reid  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Reid:

Pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 and 42 C.F.R. pt. 83, a petition was filed on behalf of workers from the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York to be added to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) evaluated the petition and presented its findings to the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (Board) on February 24, 2011. The Board considered the petition, and on March 22, 2011, I received the Board's recommendation concerning this petition. I have also received the deliberations, findings, and recommendations of the Director of NIOSH and the Director of CDC. Based on this information, I have designated the following class for addition to the SEC:

All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York, from January 1, 1954 through December 31, 1969, 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.

The criteria and findings upon which this designation is based are provided in the enclosed report.

Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Kathleen Sebelius  
Secretary

Enclosure



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20201

April 21, 2011

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator McConnell:

Pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 and 42 C.F.R. pt. 83, a petition was filed on behalf of workers from the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York to be added to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) evaluated the petition and presented its findings to the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (Board) on February 24, 2011. The Board considered the petition, and on March 22, 2011, I received the Board's recommendation concerning this petition. I have also received the deliberations, findings, and recommendations of the Director of NIOSH and the Director of CDC. Based on this information, I have designated the following class for addition to the SEC:

All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York, from January 1, 1954 through December 31, 1969, 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.

The criteria and findings upon which this designation is based are provided in the enclosed report.

Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Kathleen Sebelius  
Secretary

Enclosure



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20201

April 21, 2011

The Honorable John A. Boehner  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 and 42 C.F.R. pt. 83, a petition was filed on behalf of workers from the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York to be added to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) evaluated the petition and presented its findings to the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (Board) on February 24, 2011. The Board considered the petition, and on March 22, 2011, I received the Board's recommendation concerning this petition. I have also received the deliberations, findings, and recommendations of the Director of NIOSH and the Director of CDC. Based on this information, I have designated the following class for addition to the SEC:

All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York, from January 1, 1954 through December 31, 1969, 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.

The criteria and findings upon which this designation is based are provided in the enclosed report.

Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Kathleen Sebelius  
Secretary

Enclosure



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20201

April 21, 2011

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Minority Leader  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Pelosi:

Pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 and 42 C.F.R. pt. 83, a petition was filed on behalf of workers from the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York to be added to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) evaluated the petition and presented its findings to the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (Board) on February 24, 2011. The Board considered the petition, and on March 22, 2011, I received the Board's recommendation concerning this petition. I have also received the deliberations, findings, and recommendations of the Director of NIOSH and the Director of CDC. Based on this information, I have designated the following class for addition to the SEC:

All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York, from January 1, 1954 through December 31, 1969, 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.

The criteria and findings upon which this designation is based are provided in the enclosed report.

Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Kathleen Sebelius  
Secretary

Enclosure