



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**Designation of a Class of Employees for Addition to the
Special Exposure Cohort**

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HHS gives notice of a decision to designate a class of employees from the West Valley Demonstration Project in West Valley, New York, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Grady Calhoun, Director, Division of Compensation Analysis and Support, NIOSH, 1090 Tusculum Avenue, MS C-46, Cincinnati, OH 45226-1938, Telephone: (513) 533-6800. Information requests can also be submitted by e-mail to DCAS@CDC.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On October 25, 2019, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 73841(14) (C), the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

"All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the West Valley Demonstration Project in West Valley, New York, during the period from January 1, 1969, through December 31, 1973, 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."

This designation will become effective on November 24, 2019, unless Congress provides otherwise prior to the effective date. After this effective date, HHS will publish a notice in the Federal Register reporting the addition of this class to the SEC or the result of any provision by Congress regarding the decision by HHS to add the class to the SEC.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7384q(b) . 42 U.S.C. 7384l(14) (C) .

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