DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Meeting of the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting of the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH). This meeting is open to the public. The public is welcome to submit written comments in advance of the meeting, to the contact person listed in the Addresses section below. The public is also welcome to listen to the meeting by joining the teleconference (information below), limited only by the number of audio conference lines available (150). Public comment will not be accepted during the meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on December 18, 2025, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., EST.

Written comments must be received on or before December 11, 2025.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by mail to: Rashaun Roberts, Ph.D., Designated Federal Officer, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1090 Tusculum Avenue, Mailstop C-24, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226. Written comments received in advance of the meeting will be included in the official record of the meeting.

Meeting Information: Audio Conference Call via FTS Conferencing. The USA toll-free dialin number is 1-866-659-0537; the passcode is 9933701.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rashaun Roberts, Ph.D., Designated Federal Officer, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention, 1090 Tusculum Avenue, Mailstop C-24, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226. Telephone: (513) 533-6800; Email: ocas@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH) was established under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to advise the President on a variety of policy and technical functions required to implement and effectively manage the compensation program. Key functions of the ABRWH include providing advice on the development of probability of causation guidelines, which have been promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as a final rule; advice on methods of dose reconstruction, which have also been promulgated by HHS as a final rule; advice on the scientific validity and quality of dose estimation and reconstruction efforts being performed for purposes of the compensation program; and advice on petitions to add classes of workers to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

In December 2000, the President delegated responsibility for funding, staffing, and operating the Advisory Board to HHS, which subsequently delegated this authority to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health implements this responsibility for CDC.

The ABRWH charter was issued on August 3, 2001, renewed at appropriate intervals, and rechartered under Executive Order 14109 (September 29, 2023) on March 22, 2024. Unless continued by the President, the Advisory Board will terminate on September 30, 2027, consistent with Executive Order 14031 of September 29, 2025.

Purpose: The Advisory Board is charged with a) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the development of guidelines under Executive Order 13179 (December 7, 2000); b) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the scientific validity and quality of dose reconstruction efforts performed for this program; and c) upon request by the Secretary, HHS, advising the Secretary on whether there is a class of employees at any Department of Energy facility who were exposed

to radiation but for whom it is not feasible to estimate their radiation dose, and on whether there

is reasonable likelihood that such radiation doses may have endangered the health of members of

this class.

Matters to be Considered: The agenda will include discussions on the following: Update on

new processes and procedures; workgroup and subcommittee reports; update on the status of

SEC petitions; and tentative dates for 2026 Advisory Board meetings. Agenda items are subject

to change as priorities dictate.

For additional information, please contact Toll Free 1-800-232-4636.

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has been delegated the authority to sign Federal

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activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic

Substances and Disease Registry.

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