AMES LABORATORY

NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

STANDARDS FOR PROTECTION AGAINST RADIATION
In Part 835 of the Code of Regulations, the DOE has established standards for your protection against radiation hazards from radioactive materials and sources of radiation.

EMPLOYERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Ames Laboratory is required to:

1. Comply with the requirements of 10 CFR 835 and the Ames Laboratory Radiological Protection Program (RPP);
2. Post or make available to you upon request copies of the 10 CFR 835 and the RPP any related policies and procedures;
3. Post any notice of violation of radiologic working conditions;
4. Provide you with information on your exposure to radiation.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A RADIOLOGICAL WORKER

You should know and understand those 10 CFR 835 and RPP standards as well as Ames Laboratory's operating and emergency procedures, which apply to your work. You should comply with their requirements for your own safety and the safety of others. Report promptly to ESH&A Health Physics Group any condition, which may lead to or cause a violation of these standards or Ames Laboratory's operating and emergency procedures.

WHAT IS COVERED BY THE REGULATIONS

1. Limits on exposure to radiation and radioactive materials in controlled and uncontrolled areas;
2. Actions to be taken after accidental exposure;
3. Working conditions requiring personnel monitoring, safety surveys and safety equipment;
4. Proper use of caution signs, labels and safety interlock devices;
5. Requirements for keeping worker exposure records and reporting of such exposures;
6. The requirement for specific operating and emergency procedures for radiation work; and
7. The rights of workers regarding safety inspections.

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REPORTS ON YOUR RADIATION EXPOSURE HISTORY

1. 10 CFR 835 and the RPP require Ames Laboratory to give you a written report if you receive an exposure greater than the limits set in the radiation safety standards. Basic limits for occupational radiation exposure can be found in Sections 202, 204, 205, 402 and 403 of 10 CFR 835. Limits on exposure to radiation and exposure to concentrations of radioactive material in air are specified in 10 CFR 835, Appendix A.
2. If the radiation protection standard, under 10 CFR 835.402 requires that your radiation exposure be monitored, Ames Laboratory must, upon your request, (a) give you a written report of your exposures upon termination of your employment, and (b) advise you of your exposures annually.

INSPECTIONS

ESH&A Office Health Physics Group or DOE inspectors will inspect your workplace from time to time to ensure that health and safety requirements are being followed and that these requirements are effective in protecting you. Health Physics Personnel or DOE inspectors may confer privately with you at the time of inspection. At that time you may direct the inspector's attention to any condition you believe is or was a violation of the safety requirements.

In addition, if you believe at any time that any health and safety requirements are being violated, you or your workers' representative may request that an inspection be made by sending a complaint to the ESH&A Office, Health Physics Group. Your complaint must describe the specific circumstances of the apparent violation and must be signed by you or your workers' representative. ESH&A is required to give the Director's Office a copy of any such complaint. Names may be withheld at your request. You should understand, however, that the law protects you from being discharged or discriminated against in any way for filing a complaint or otherwise exercising your rights under the Regulations.

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