



# Department of Energy Support to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA)



#### Office of Environment, Health, Safety and Security

https://www.energy.gov/ehss/services/worker-health-and-safety/energy-employees-occupational-illness-compensation-program





### **EEOICPA** Agencies

#### Agencies:

- Department of Labor (DOL)
- Department of Energy (DOE)
- National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)
- Department of Justice (DOJ)



## DOE's Core Mandate

Work on behalf of the program claimants to ensure that all available workers and facility records and data are provided to DOL, NIOSH, and the Advisory Board.



#### DOE Responsibilities

Respond

Respond via the Secure Electronics Records Transfer (SERT) System to DOL and NIOSH requests for information related to individual claims (employment verification, exposure records).

Provide

Provide support and assistance to DOL, NIOSH, and Advisory Board on large-scale research and site characterization projects through records research and retrieval efforts at various DOE sites.

Conduct

Conduct research, in coordination with DOL and NIOSH, on issues related to covered facilities designations, and website



## Individual Records

- Claimants often worked at multiple DOE sites, for multiple contractors and subcontractors, and in different jobs or divisions over a career.
- For a typical request for a worker's records, DOE may have to go to many different site departments and within those departments many different records sources or databases.
- For example, one DOE site routinely checks approximately 40 different sources for responsive records, including hardcopy paper records, microfilm, microfiche, databases, and scanned electronic records.



# Large-Scale Research Projects

 Large-scale research projects are driven by the needs of DOL and NIOSH.

Recent DOE sites:
Oak Ridge Gaseous
Diffusion Plant
Hanford Site
Legacy Management
Los Alamos National Lab
Savannah River Site

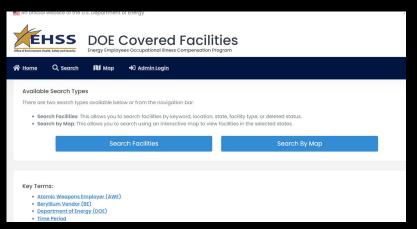


## Document Reviews

- DOE committed to providing documents to NIOSH, DOL, and the Advisory Board, but must do so in a responsible manner.
- DOE HQ reviews NIOSH generated reports, but DOE field sites review the DOE source documents
  - The average turnaround time for reports reviewed at DOE HQ is typically about 8 workdays. (but there are fewer reports, and they are typically shorter)
  - The turnaround time for source documents reviewed in the field can vary considerably because there can be hundreds of documents requested and thousands of pages to review.



# Facility Database



- Database of over 300 facilities covered
- under EEOICPA. This includes DOE facilities, AWEs and Beryllium Vendors whose employees are eligible for benefits under EEOICP.
- Full listing can be found at:
- https://ehss.energy.gov/Search/Facility/findfacility.aspx



## DOE/SRS

Record Type	Requests Received 2001-2021	Requests Received 2020	Requests Received 2021	Requests Received 2022*
Employment Verification (EV) (Requesting Agency DOL/DOE)	10,871	338	341	139
Document Acquisition Request (DAR) (Requesting Agency DOL/DOE)	11,566	338	343	139
Personnel Exposure Information (NIOSH) (Requesting Agency NIOSH)	6,974	226	199	94
Supplemental Data Request (NIOSH2) (Requesting Agency NIOSH)	1,097	55	49	19
TOTAL	30,508	957	932	391



# DOE/SRS Site Research

Over a million pages released supporting the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC), Advisory Board.
Status of Site Exposure Matrix (SEM)
Support

In 2015, DOL initiated an effort to fill in gaps in the SEM and to describe D&D activity since the initial SEM as well as new construction.

This effort has continued to the present, most recently with characterizations of the Salt Waste Processing Facility (SWPF) and the Forestry Service facilities.



## DOE FY 21/22

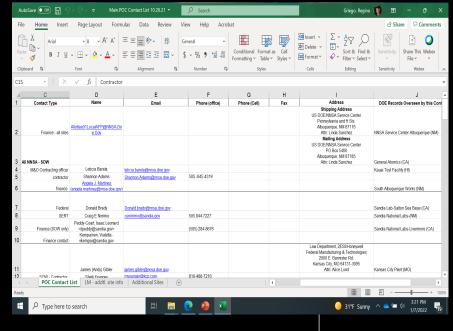
Total responses **all DOE** sites FY 2021: 11,603

Total responses **all DOE sites** first 6 months of FY 2022: 7,638

Total responses since 2001 @350,000



#### Key Field POC



#### **SRS POC**

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#### Information

#### **DOL Energy Homepage**

 https://www.dol.gov/agencies/owcp/ene rgy

#### **DOL Site Specific Statistics**

 https://www.dol.gov/agencies/owcp/ene rgy/regs/compliance/charts/compensation n statistics graphs

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### How can We Assist

#### **Resources:**

https://www.energy.gov/ehss/services/wor ker-health-and-safety/energy-employeesoccupational-illness-compensationprogram

https://www.dol.gov/owcp/energy/regs/compliance/weeklystats.htm

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## Questions?



# ational Supplemental Screening Programe (NSSP)









 The NSSP is one of two nationwide and four regional programs that make up the DOE Former Worker Medical Screening Program (FWP). The NSSP serves

Any former worker from: | Production Workers **Argonne Fermi Princeton Plasma Physics** Lab

from: **Rocky Flats** Hanford **Kansas City Plant Pinellas** Savannah River

Any former worker who cannot be served by one of the other site specific programs

- Completed over 27,000 NSSP examinations since 2005
- Call us: 1-866-812-6703, visit <a href="https://www.orau.org/nssp/">https://www.orau.org/nssp/</a>
- SRS construction workers are served by BTMed
- FWP annual report

