## U.S. Department of Labor will Help Current and Former Nuclear Weapons Workers File Claims in Kansas City, Missouri, January 9, 2020

KANSAS CITY, MO – The U.S. Department of Labor will host an energy outreach event in Kansas City, Missouri, on Thursday, January 9, 2020. Department staff will provide information about the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act and help current and former nuclear weapons workers file claims. This event is open to the public and does not require pre-registration.

## WHAT:

Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Outreach Event

## WHERE:

IBEW Local 124 Union Hall 301 E. 103rd Terrace Kansas City, MO 64114

## WHEN:

Thursday, January 9, 2020 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. CST 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. CST

The Department's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs administers the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act, which provides lump-sum compensation and medical benefits to current and former workers whose illness results from working at a facility involved in nuclear weapons production. Covered illnesses include radiation-induced cancer, chronic beryllium disease, beryllium sensitivity, chronic silicosis and illness due to toxic substance exposure. Survivors of eligible employees may also be entitled to compensation.

To date, eligible claimants have received more than \$17.1 billion in compensation and medical benefits. For more information about this event or for help filing a claim in-

person or over the phone, call the Paducah Resource Center toll-free at 866-534-0599. Or visit the website to find a Resource Center near you.

The mission of the Department of Labor is to foster, promote, and develop the welfare of the wage earners, job seekers, and retirees of the United States; improve working conditions; advance opportunities for profitable employment; and assure work-related benefits and rights.

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