



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR



Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health for Part E of the EEOICPA

Member Nominations Due October 25, 2017: the Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health

OWCP is seeking nominations for the Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health for Part E of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA). The Advisory Board advises the Secretary of Labor on technical aspects of the EEOICPA program, with respect to:

- DOL's Site Exposure Matrices (SEM) database, which is used in establishing causal links between a vast array of toxic substances, diseases that could be related to the substances, and location and job categories of covered workers;
- Medical guidance for claims examiners under the Energy program, with respect to the weighing of the medical evidence of claimants;
- Evidentiary requirements for claims related to lung disease; and
- The work of industrial hygienists, staff physicians, and consulting physicians, and their reports, to ensure quality, objectivity, and consistency.

The terms of the 15 sitting Board members expire in early 2018. Current members may be reappointed.

The Advisory Board is mandated by Section 3687 of EEOICPA and consists of 12-15 members to be appointed by the Secretary. Membership is balanced between the scientific, medical, and claimant communities. People interested in being nominated for the Board are encouraged to review the **Federal Register notice on nominations for membership** [<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/09/25/2017-20335/advisory-board-on-toxic-substances-and-worker-health>] and submit the requested information by October 25, 2017. Questions about the Board can be submitted via email to EnergyAdvisoryBoard@dol.gov.

For further information on the Board or on its work so far, visit the Advisory Board's website at <https://www.dol.gov/owcp/energy/regs/compliance/AdvisoryBoard.htm>.