



Collider-Accelerator Department Worker Occupational Safety and Health Committee

Date: September 16, 2003
To: WOSH Committee and Guests
From: P. Sparrow, R. Savage
Subject: Minutes for 9/9/03 - WOSH Committee Meeting

Members: L. Ahrens, M. Bannon, J. Carlson*, J. Cupolo*, D. Derryberry*, F. Dusek, D. Graham, J. Guercio, E. Koropsak, J. Laster, C. Liaw, D. Meany*, B. Mullany, J. Nicolellis, A. Piper, S. Pontieri, M. Sardzinski, R. Savage, T. Shrey*, L. Snyderstrup, P. Sparrow, D. Steski, L. Vogt, D. Weiss, K. Yip for D. Lazarus, R. Zapasek*.

(* denotes not in attendance)

Guests: E. Lessard, R. Karol

P. Sparrow, the WOSH Committee Chair led this meeting by identifying the meetings agenda and respective speakers. In addition, members were informed that the new OSH Suggestion Box was installed in the lobby of building 911. The purpose of this suggestion box is for personnel to submit safety concerns or questions that are then forwarded to the WOSH Committee for review and action as applicable.

E. Lessard reviewed the following topics:

1. C-A ESHQ Web links to OSH documents - Members were instructed on where to find C-A web links to OSH documents.
2. C-A OSH Program Description – members were provided with the current status of the C-A OSH Program. Specifically,
 - a. What four categories of C-A facilities were analyzed
 - b. What specific OSH operational controls were developed
 - c. What specific OSH management plans were developed
 - d. What specific OSH training plans were developed
 - e. OSH/EMS/SA Audit requirements
 - f. Annual OSH/EMS/SA Management Review
3. OSH workplace hazard analyses and risk assessment criteria for Accelerators, Experimental Areas, Offices and Shops were discussed.

4. C-A OSH Objectives and Targets for FY03 were provided to members.
5. C-A Injury/Illness/First Aid recordable data for FY03 was provided to members. Members were informed that outside ground hazards (e.g. ice, snow, rough walkways) have been identified as the major cause for worker lost time and first aid cases in 2003.

Questions on item 5:

F. Dusek raised the question about roof leaks in building 912, causing water hazards on floor. An action item resulted from this discussion. **E. Lessard would bring this issue forward to upper management.**

A. Piper raised a question about bee concerns, for technical staff. It appears only one (1) person is assigned the responsibility to remove bees from BNL facilities. In some cases, it may take the assigned individual up to 3 days to investigate the area, which may delay work tasks. An action item resulted from this discussion. **E. Lessard would bring this issue forward to upper management.**

A. Piper stated presently BNL purchasing is investigating a safety glass prescription incident which caused the glass to crack unevenly, when the glasses was hit by debris. An action item resulted from this discussion. **The C-A ESHQ safety section is tracking this issue.**

6. The C-A OSH Training Plans still under development were discussed. Members were asked to review and comment on each of the OSH training plans associated with the accelerators, experiments and shops. Committee members had no comments at this time.
7. The members were asked if there was any Feedback on "Charlie". There was no feedback identified at this time.

L. Vogt and E. Lessard described the role of the newly established Director's Safety Committee (DSC), with the primary function to provide safety leadership at the management level and focus on leading the laboratory on the path towards safety excellence. To assist the DSC fulfill its mission, a Safety Improvement Team which consist of employees from different laboratory departments was established to formulate a strategic plan to make BNL a safer work place.

R. Savage reported that the OSH/EMS/SA audit identified four observations. The audit can be reviewed on the C-A ESHQ web page.

Closing Meeting Comments:

1. The committee was informed that the 4th quarter WOSH Committee meeting, will be held in 911B, Large Conference Room.

2. The committee was informed that on October 20, 2003, OSHA would have 10 teams to review BNL facilities including worker observations. Presently, Oak Ridge and Argonne National Laboratories were reviewed which included a 70 (plus) page report of facility violations.
3. E. Lessard stated in the future, the laboratory might consider the possibility of having an OSHA third party organization to certify our OSH Program. (Similar to EMS 14001 certification)

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