FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

STANDARDS FOR PROTECTION AGAINST RADIATION; NOTICES, INSTRUCTIONS AND REPORTS TO WORKERS; INSPECTIONS

POSTING REQUIREMENT

THIS NOTICE MUST BE POSTED IN PLACES THAT PERMIT EMPLOYEES IN A RESTRICTED AREA TO SEE A COPY ON THE WAY TO OR FROM THEIR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT.

The Department of Health has established standards for protection against radiation hazards in Chapter 64E-5, Florida Administrative Code.

YOUR EMPLOYER IS REQUIRED TO:

- Post or provide you a copy of the Department of Health rules and operating procedures that apply to your work and explain them to you.
- Apply the rules to work involving radiation sources.
- Post or provide you any Notice of Violation involving radiological working conditions, proposed civil penalties, and orders.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO:

- Become familiar with the rules and the operating procedures that apply to your work.
- Observe the requirements to protect yourself and your co-workers.

WHAT IS IN THESE RULES:

- Limits on exposure to radiation and radioactive material in restricted and unrestricted areas
- Actions to take after accidental exposure
- Personnel monitoring, surveys, and equipment
- Caution signs, labels, and safety interlocks
- Exposure records and reports
- Options for workers about Department of Health inspections
- Related matters

REPORTS ON RADIATION EXPOSURE

Your employer must give you a written report if you receive an exposure above the limits in the rules or in the license. The maximum limits for exposure to employees are in Part III of the rules. However, your employer should keep your radiation exposure as low as reasonably achievable.

If you work where personnel monitoring is required:

- Your employer must give you a written annual report of your radiation exposures.
- Your employer must give you a written report of your radiation exposures when you terminate employment.

INSPECTIONS

Representatives of the Department of Health inspect all licensed and registered activities. Any worker or worker representative who believes that there is a violation of Chapter 404, Florida Statutes; Chapter 64E-5, Florida Administrative Code; or the terms of the employer's license or registration can request an inspection by contacting the Bureau of Radiation Control, Bin C21, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1741 (850) 245-4266. The request must state specific reasons for the inspection. During inspections, Department of Health inspectors can confer privately with workers and any worker can bring to the attention of the inspectors any past or present condition that they believe contributed to or caused any violation.

Copies of Chapter 64E-5, F.A.C., the license or registration, operating procedures, any notice of violation about working conditions, penalty orders issued, and responses can be examined at: