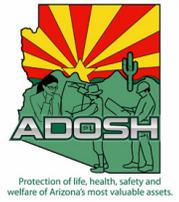




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The Arizona Division of Occupational Safety and Health's response to the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration's fiscal year 2009 Federal Annual Monitoring and Evaluation (FAME) Report.

Since the time of the approval of its state occupational safety and health plan in 1974, the Arizona Division of Occupational Safety and Health (ADOSH) has been regularly monitored by Federal OSHA (OSHA) to ensure that its program is "at least as effective" as the federal program. Over the years, ADOSH has consistently demonstrated the effectiveness of its program and its commitment to the improvement of safety and health conditions within Arizona workplaces. While facing challenges as a result of limited resources, that commitment has never been stronger than it is today. This commitment is demonstrated on a daily basis through the excellent work of our employees who work tirelessly to ensure that Arizona employees are provided safe and healthful working conditions.

Today, as in years past, OSHA issued its FAME report with findings and recommendations for the ADOSH program. We disagree with some of the findings and recommendations noted in OSHA's FY 2009 FAME report, including those that imply that the errors noted in a small percentage of the audited files are systemic throughout the ADOSH organization. We will be filing a more formal response to address OSHA's findings and recommendations.

We share OSHA's commitment to employee safety and health and we will take the steps necessary to ensure the continued effectiveness of our program.