

September 16, 2010

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Re: Washington FY 2009 EFAME Report
10/1/08 to 9/30/09

Dear Mr. Ikeda:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a short statement responding to the 2009 EFAME report. Please consider releasing the following response from Washington's Division of Occupational Safety and Health, as you issue the DOSH EFAME.

Washington State believes that the enhanced FAME evaluation process and resulting report represents a positive and beneficial approach to helping ensure worker protection. Washington's Division of Occupational Safety and Health appreciates the opportunity to collaboratively and constructively join OSHA in efforts to reduce injuries, illnesses, and fatalities in the State of Washington and the nation.

If you have questions, please give me a call.

Thank you.

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