

*Written Submissions:* The Commission does not plan to hold a public hearing in the course of this investigation. Interested parties are, however, invited to submit written statements containing information and their views. All such statements should be addressed to the Secretary and should be received not later than 5:15 p.m., April 30, 2009. All statements must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* (19 CFR 201.8), which requires that a signed original (or a copy designated as an original) and fourteen (14) copies of each document be filed. In the event that confidential treatment of the document is requested, at least four (4) additional copies must be filed, in which the confidential information must be deleted (see the following paragraph for further information regarding confidential business information). The Commission's rules do not authorize filing submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means, except to the extent permitted by section 201.8 of the rules (see *Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures*, [http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/fed\\_reg\\_notices/rules/documents/handbook\\_on\\_electronic\\_filing.pdf](http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/fed_reg_notices/rules/documents/handbook_on_electronic_filing.pdf)); persons with questions regarding electronic filing should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000.

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The Commission anticipates that the report it sends to the committees in this investigation will be made available to the public in its entirety. Consequently, the report that the Commission sends to the committees will not contain any confidential business information. Any confidential business information received by the Commission in this investigation and used in preparing its report will not be published in a manner that would reveal the operations of the firm supplying the information.

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By order of the Commission.

**Marilyn R. Abbott,**

*Secretary to the Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2008-0043]

#### Addenda to the Memorandum of Understanding: To Formalize the Working Relationship Between the Department of Energy and the Department of Labor

**AGENCY:** The Department of Labor; Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

**ACTION:** Addenda to Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Labor and the Department of Energy: (1) the construction of the Theory and Computing Sciences (TCS) building at the Argonne National Laboratory in Illinois; transfer of employee safety and health authority from the Department of Energy (DOE) to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA); (2) the operations of six existing buildings and support facilities at the East Tennessee Technology Park in Oak Ridge, Tennessee; transfer of employee safety and health authority from DOE to the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

**SUMMARY:** This document is a notice of addenda to the August 28, 1992 interagency Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the U.S. Department of Labor and the U.S. Department of Energy. That MOU states that DOE has exclusive authority over the occupational safety and health of contractor employees at DOE Government-Owned and Contractor-Operated facilities (GOCOs). In addition, the MOU between the departments dated July 25, 2000, on safety and health enforcement at privatized facilities and operations provides that OSHA has regulatory authority over occupational safety and health at certain privatized facilities and operations on DOE land leased to private enterprises. This action is taken in accordance with the MOU of July 25, 2000, which establishes specific interagency procedures for the transfer of occupational safety and health coverage for such privatized facilities and operations from DOE to OSHA and state agencies acting under state plans approved by OSHA pursuant to section

18 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act), 29 U.S.C. 667. The MOUs may be found on the internet via the OSHA Web page <http://www.osha.gov> under the "D" for Department of Energy Transition Activities.

**DATES:** The effective date for the publication of this notice January 2, 2009.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact Ms. MaryAnn Garrahan, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, Room N-3655, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Telephone (202) 693-2110; fax (202-693-1644). Access electronic copies of this notice at OSHA's Web site, <http://www.osha.gov>, by selecting **Federal Register**, "Date of Publication," and then "2008."

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) of the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on August 10, 1992, delineating regulatory authority over the occupational safety and health of contractor employees at DOE government-owned or leased, contractor-operated (GOCO) facilities. In general, the memorandum of understanding recognizes that DOE exercises statutory authority under section 161(f) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, [42 U.S.C. 2201(f)], relating to the occupational safety and health of private-sector employees at these facilities.

Section 4(b)(1) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, 29 U.S.C. 653(b)(1), exempts from OSHA authority working conditions with respect to which other federal agencies have exercised statutory authority to prescribe or enforce standards or regulations affecting occupational safety or health. The 1992 MOU acknowledges DOE's extensive regulation of contractor health and safety which requires contractor compliance with all OSHA standards as well as additional requirements prescribed by DOE, and concludes with an agreement by the agencies that the provisions of the Occupational Safety and Health Act will not apply to GOCO sites for which DOE has exercised its authority to regulate occupational safety and health under the Atomic Energy Act.

In light of DOE's policy emphasis on privatization activities, OSHA and DOE entered into a second Memorandum of Understanding on July 25, 2000; that establishes interagency procedures to address regulatory authority for

occupational safety and health at specified privatized facilities and operations on DOE sites. The 2000 Memorandum of Understanding specifically covers facilities and operations on lands that have been leased to private enterprises, which are not conducting activities for or on behalf of DOE, and where there is no likelihood that any employee exposure to radiation from DOE sources would be 25 millirems per year (mrem/yr) or more.

In a letter dated February 27, 2007, DOE requested that OSHA accept occupational safety and health regulatory authority at two locations pursuant to the MOU on Safety and Health Enforcement at Privatized Facilities and Operations, dated July 25, 2000. The request was for OSHA to accept regulatory oversight for the construction phase of the Theory and Computing Sciences (TCS) building at the Argonne National Laboratory in Illinois, as well as the transfer of oversight for six existing buildings and support facilities at the East Tennessee Technology Park (ETTP) in Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

OSHA's Regional Office in Chicago, IL, working with OSHA's Aurora Area Office, determined that OSHA should accept authority for the construction phase of the Theory and Computing Sciences (TCS) building at the Argonne National Laboratory in Illinois. The Aurora Area Office has been in contact with the DOE, as well as with the general contractor, regarding the construction phase of the project. These offices are satisfied with DOE assurances that (1) this facility is operationally independent of DOE activities during the construction phase, (2) there is no likelihood that any employee exposure to radiation will be 25 millirems per year (mrem /yr) or more, and (3) the transfer of authority to OSHA is free from regulatory gaps, and does not diminish the safety and health protection of the employees. OSHA, therefore, accepted health and safety regulatory authority for the construction phase of the TCS building. When construction of the TCS is complete, DOE will contact OSHA to inform it of the type of work to be performed at the completed TCS.

OSHA's Regional Office in Atlanta, GA, working with the OSHA Nashville Area Office, and the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Administration (TOSHA), determined that TOSHA is willing to accept authority for the six existing buildings and support facilities at the East Tennessee Technology Park in Oak Ridge, Tennessee that were transferred

by deed to the Community Reuse Organization of East Tennessee (CROET). TOSHA is satisfied with DOE assurances that (1) there is no likelihood that any employee at these facilities will be exposed to radiation levels that will be 25 millirems per year (mrem/yr) or more, and (2) transfer of authority to TOSHA is free from regulatory gaps, and does not diminish the safety and health protection of the employees. Therefore, TOSHA accepted and maintains health and safety regulatory authority over buildings K-1007, K-1225, K-1330, K-1400, K-1580, K-1007A, and K-1036. Accordingly, after reviewing pertinent information, OSHA and TOSHA, in a letter to DOE dated December 18, 2007, agreed to accept regulatory authority for occupational safety and health over these sites.

This **Federal Register** notice provides public notice and serves as an addendum to the 1992 OSHA/DOE MOU. This document was prepared under the direction of Thomas M. Stohler, Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. This action is taken pursuant to section 8(g) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 657(g)) and Secretary of Labor's Order No. 5-2007 (72 FR 31159).

Signed at Washington, DC, December 15, 2008.

**Thomas M. Stohler,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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## **MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION**

**[MCC FR 09-04]**

### **Report on the Selection of Eligible Countries for Fiscal Year 2009**

**AGENCY:** Millennium Challenge Corporation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This report is provided in accordance with section 608(d)(1) of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, Public Law 108-199, Division D, (the "Act"), 22 U.S.C. 7708(d)(1).

The Act authorizes the provision of Millennium Challenge Account ("MCA") assistance under section 605 of the Act to countries that enter into compacts with the United States to support policies and programs that advance the progress of such countries in achieving lasting economic growth

and poverty reduction, and are in furtherance of the Act. The Act requires the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC") to take steps to determine the countries that, based on their demonstrated commitment to just and democratic governance, economic freedom, and investing in their people, as well as the opportunity to reduce poverty and generate economic growth in the country, will be eligible to receive MCA assistance during the fiscal year. These steps include the submission of reports to appropriate congressional committees and the publication of notices in the **Federal Register** that identify, among other things:

1. The countries that are "candidate countries" for MCA assistance during FY09 based on their per-capita income levels and their eligibility to receive assistance under U.S. law, and countries that would be candidate countries but for specified legal prohibitions on assistance (section 608(a) of the Act; 22 U.S.C. 7708(a));

2. The criteria and methodology that the Board of Directors of MCC (the Board) will use to measure and evaluate the relative policy performance of the candidate countries consistent with the requirements of section 607 of the Act in order to select "MCA eligible countries" from among the "candidate countries" (section 608(b) of the Act, 22 U.S.C. 7708(b)); and

3. The list of countries determined by the Board to be "MCA eligible countries" for FY09, with justification for eligibility determination and selection for compact negotiation, including which of the MCA eligible countries the Board will seek to enter into MCA compacts (section 608(d) of the Act, 22 U.S.C. 7708(d)).

This is the third of the above-described reports by MCC for fiscal year 2009 (FY09). It identifies countries determined by the Board to be eligible under section 607 of the Act for FY09 (22 U.S.C. 7706) and countries with which the Board will seek to enter into compacts under section 609 of the Act, as well as the justification for such decisions.

### **Eligible Countries**

The Board met on December 11, 2008 to select countries that will be eligible for MCA compact assistance under section 607 of the Act for FY09. The Board selected the following countries as eligible for such assistance for FY09: Colombia, Indonesia, Jordan, Malawi, Moldova, the Philippines, Senegal, and Zambia.

In accordance with the Act and with the "Report on the Criteria and Methodology for Determining the