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MEETING SUMMARY OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA) NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH (NACOSH)

June 30, 2022

U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Ave., NW Washington, D.C. 20210

The meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH) was called to order by Chair Cynthia Lewis at 3:31 p.m. ET, on Thursday, June 30, 2022. This meeting was held via WebEx and teleconference. The following committee members and OSHA staff were present:

NACOSH Members

Cynthia Lewis, Fay Boozman College of Public Health, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Michael Belcher, Boys and Girls Club of America Leanne Cobb, Palm Beach State College Kathleen Dobson, Alberici Constructors, Inc. Tonya Ford, United Support & Memorial for Workplace Fatalities Jessica Garcia, Retail, Wholesale & Department Store Union David Heller, AcuTech Consulting Group Bobbi Jo Hurst, Orthopedic Associates of Lancaster Andrew Perkins, Alabama Power Company Rebecca Reindel, AFL-CIO J.A. Rodriguez, Board of Certified Safety Professionals John Dony, National Safety Council - *absent*

OSHA Staff

Andrew Levinson, Designated Federal Official, Acting Director, OSHA, Directorate of Standards and Guidance Lisa Long, Acting Deputy Director, OSHA, Directorate of Standards and Guidance Augusta Williams, OSHA, Directorate of Standards and Guidance Inanje Mintz, OSHA, Directorate of Standards and Guidance Anissa Harmon, OSHA, Directorate of Standards and Guidance Carla Marcellus, OSHA, Office of Maritime and Agriculture Jennifer Levin, Committee Counsel, Office of the Solicitor

Opening Remarks, Roll-Call, Introductions and Agenda

Cynthia Lewis, NACOSH Chair

Ms. Lewis started the meeting by thanking the members and public for their participation in the meeting. Ms. Lewis called the meeting to order and asked all the members to introduce themselves which served as the roll call. All members were present except for Mr. John Dony. OSHA staff introduced themselves, and Ms. Lewis briefly went over the agenda and the February 22, 2022, meeting minutes.

The following items were entered into the record: NACOSH Agenda <u>OSHA-2022-0002-0017</u> February 22, 2022, Meeting Minutes <u>OSHA-2022-0002-0018</u>

OSHA Update

Andrew Levinson, Acting Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance

Mr. Levinson provided a quick overview of recent OSHA activities. The regulatory agenda for spring 2022 was released and the timelines for a number of activities were changed. The agency is currently reviewing comments and materials and is developing a final healthcare standard on COVID-19. As a result, a lot of other regulatory work has slowed down. Other items on the regulatory agenda include Workplace Violence in the Healthcare and Social Assistance sectors; an infectious disease standard which would replace the COVID-19 standard in the future; Emergency Response and Preparedness Advance Notice of Proposed Rule Making (ANPRM) in May 2023; a Hazard Communication standard with updates to the Globally Harmonized Systems (GHS) of Hazard Communication; and Tree Care ANPRM in December 2022. OSHA has also been doing a great deal of work on the Heat Campaign, the Safe and Sound Campaign, and safety and health programs or safety and health management systems. The agency will be releasing the first section of its maturity model or step-by-step guide on how to implement safety and health programs as a Beta test on its website and welcomed comments on the materials. (pages 12-27)

Update OSHA ANPRM and Heat Campaign

Augusta Williams, Health Scientist, Office of Physical Hazards Inanje Mintz, Public Health Educator, Directorate of Standards and Guidance

Ms. Inanje Mintz – Heat Injury and Illness Prevention Campaign

Ms. Mintz provided updates on OSHA's Heat Injury and Illness Prevention Campaign. In 2021, OSHA had numerous conversations with internal and external stakeholders, and they provided feedback on the strengths and weaknesses of the campaign as well as ideas for new materials and topics. The agency has produced new materials and redesigned the website to make it more user-friendly. OSHA developed a number of infographics in 2022 such as the Sun Safety at Work, skin cancer prevention, hydration, employer responsibility, OSHA's consultation program, compliance assistance and a worker's right to heat safety. These infographics were

developed after the agency received several requests from stakeholders for infographics on a number of different topics and will be developing several more. OSHA's Buffalo, New York Area Office teamed up with a local family to produce a heat illness awareness video. OSHA is working to integrate heat messaging into the Safe and Sound Campaign and highlighting the importance of including heat illness prevention in safety and health programs. The agency is also working on an e-newsletter on heat illness prevention and will use the newsletter to deliver more targeted messaging around heat alerts and new materials. Lastly, OSHA has been using Talkwalker, a social listening tool, to help track the spread of messages and to understand how and in what context the public is talking about our topics. (pages 28-36)

Ms. Augusta Williams – Heat Injury and Illness Prevention Rulemaking

Ms. Williams discussed OSHA's Heat Stakeholder Meeting held on May 3, 2022. Stakeholders learned about OSHA's efforts on heat-related hazards. The entire meeting was recorded in both English and Spanish and is available on the Agency's website. OSHA is still in the first stage of the Agency's rulemaking process. The Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) on Heat Injury and Illness Prevention in Outdoor and Indoor Work Settings was issued on 10/27/21 and the comment period closed on 1/26/22. The ANPRM contained 114 questions; OSHA received over 1000 comments. A majority of the comments received were from private citizens, and a large number of comments were from restaurant and food service workers as well as agriculture and construction industries. OSHA is currently reviewing and analyzing the comments it has received. (Pages 37-44)

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Heat Injury and Illness Prevention Work Group Update and Discussion

Kathleen Dobson, Alberici Constructors, Inc. Rebecca Reindel, AFL-CIO

Ms. Dobson and Ms. Reindel provided updates on the Heat Work Group's activities. The work group has been divided into two groups. One group is handling Task 1 – Evaluate and provide input and recommendations on OSHA's heat illness prevention materials and the second group is working on Task 2 – Potential elements for heat injury and illness prevention rulemaking.

Ms. Dobson's work group did a review of OSHA's current heat illness prevention materials. Some of the changes the work group may recommend to OSHA were adding the phrase "*all employers have a responsibility to protect workers*" in all of its materials; adding information on indoor heat and the effects of heat on various medical conditions like heart disease, asthma, COPD, etc.; removing outdated information and fixing broken links; and providing more tailored guidance to different industries and audiences. Ms. Dobson said they did not have any recommendations at this time since they still had a lot of work to do. (pages 45-55)

Ms. Reindel's work group focused on rulemaking. The group looked at existing state standards, military heat programs, consensus standards, industry specific standards, and NIOSH recommendations for heat standard and a criteria document. The NIOSH criteria document lays out a comprehensive approach to protecting workers through a standard and also describes its

Health Hazard Evaluation information which has a lot of useful information. The work group is looking at scope of application, employer and employee responsibilities, temperature requirements, and other risk factors. The work group did not have any recommendations at this time. (pages 55-62)

The presentations were entered into the record: Task 1 <u>OSHA-2022-0003-0006</u> Task 2 <u>OSHA-2022-0003-0008</u>

Open Discussion, Closing Remarks, Adjournment

The members discussed dates for the next NACOSH meeting and potential topics for the committee to consider. Ms. Lewis opened the meeting for comments from the members and then gave the public the opportunity to speak. Mr. Levinson thanked all the members and the public for their participation and mentioned Safe and Sound Week in August. (pages 62-93)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m. ET.

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing minutes are an accurate summary of the meeting.

Submitted by:

Cynthia Lewis Cynthia Lewis

09/09/2022

Cynthia Lewis NACOSH Chair

Date