

September 26, 2007

The Honorable John M. Shimkus
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Dear Congressman Shimkus:

This letter is in response to your August 22, 2007 letter to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Congressional Affairs regarding Dow Chemicals of Madison, Illinois. We understand that Dow Chemicals' workforce from 1957 to 1960 was granted Special Exposure Cohort status by the U.S. Department of Labor. Your letter requests information regarding radioactive material licenses that were granted to Dow Chemicals during the years of 1960 to 1993. This information was requested to assist your constituents, who are in the process of filing compensation claims or whose claims are currently in the dose reconstruction stage.

We have queried our License Tracking System and the License Evaluation and Document Information System databases. The result of our review is that there are no Dow-related radioactive material licenses in Madison, Illinois issued by the NRC. Based on conversations with your staff, we expanded the query to include all Dow-related radioactive material licenses in Illinois. We do have the following information for Dow Chemical U.S.A., P. O. Box 368, Joliet, IL 60434: Docket 030-13412, License No. 12-17834-01, Issued Date of February 13, 1984, and Expiration Date of February 28, 1989. This was a license to possess the radioactive byproduct materials Cadmium-109 and Cesium-137.

You should also be aware that the State of Illinois became an NRC Agreement State as of May 1987. As such, you may also wish to contact the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Division of Nuclear Safety, who may have issued radioactive materials licenses to Dow Chemical.

I trust that this information is useful in addressing your constituent's concerns. If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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