

***ABRWH Member  
Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement***

The Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (the Board) is very concerned with maintaining the transparency of the compensation program created by the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. In an effort to foster a fully open and honest environment for claimants and in order to allay any concerns within the stakeholder community regarding perceived or actual conflicts of interest for Board members, the Board releases the following information:

**Board Member's Name and Position:**                    **John W. Poston, Sr., M.S., Ph.D.**  
Professor  
Department of Nuclear Engineering  
Texas A&M University  
College Station, TX

**Biographical Information:** Dr. Poston has served on the faculty of Texas A&M University in the Department of Nuclear Engineering for 21 years, including 10 years as Head of the Department. He service on various advisory committees and activities also include the Radiation Advisory Committee, Science Advisory Board, Environmental Protection Agency; the National Academies Committee on Transportation of Nuclear Waste to Yucca Mountain; and the National Academies Committee on Controlling International Radiological Terrorism. He is a Fellow of the Health Physics Society, the American Nuclear Society, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and is an Honorary Member of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements. Dr. Poston is also an Associate Editor of the Health Physics Journal.

**Waiver:** Dr. Poston has been provided a waiver under 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(3), permitting him to participate in the deliberations and recommendations of the Board, because the need for his services outweighs the potential for conflict of interest. This waiver is expressly limited as described below, and will not allow participation relating to specific matters in which he has a financial or imputed financial interest. In addition, Dr. Poston will remain subject to the disqualification requirements imposed by 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502 with respect to specific party matters. Each individual Board member, with the assistance and guidance of the Designated Federal Official, will monitor all Board issues for other actual or potential conflicts of interest and will ensure proper recusal if necessary.

**Year Waiver Issued:** 2006

**DOE/AWE Sites Where a Conflict of Interest Exists or May Exist That Requires Recusal for specific matters, such as Site Profile Review, Dose Reconstruction Review or SEC Petition:**

- No specific sites listed. However, potential exists for the Board to consider matters affected by Dr. Poston's previous work with BWXT, Sandia National Laboratory, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Oak Ridge X-10, and West Valley Nuclear Services, in which case Dr. Poston would have to recuse himself.
- Dr. Poston will be required to recuse himself from any matter in which his relatives had any role, including performing DRs or writing DR reports; any matter in which Dr. Poston himself participated, including performing or reviewing DRs, or writing or reviewing technical documents; and, any matter where NIOSH or a NIOSH contractor has substantially relied on one of his publications to perform or complete DRs.