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Subject: SEC00038

Dear Mr. Turcic:

On behalf of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and as required by 42 C.F.R. pt. 83.17(c), I am notifying you of the final effect of the HHS decision to designate a class of employees at the Ames Laboratory, in Ames, Iowa, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. On September 7, 2006, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384q(b), the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

Department of Energy (DOE) employees or DOE contractor or subcontractor employees who worked at the Ames Laboratory in one or more of the following facilities/locations: Chemistry Annex 1 (also known as "the old women's gymnasium" and "Little Ankeny"), Chemistry Annex 2, Chemistry Building (also known as "Gilman Hall"), Research Building, or the Metallurgical Building (also known as "Harley Wilhelm Hall") from January 1, 1942 through December 31, 1954 for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days, or in combination with work days within the parameters (excluding aggregate work day requirements) established for one or more classes of employees in the SEC, and who were monitored or should have been monitored.

This designation became effective on September 7, 2006, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384l(14)(C). Hence, beginning on September 7, 2006, members of this class of employees, defined as reported in this notice, became members of the Special Exposure Cohort.

Sincerely,

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Director

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