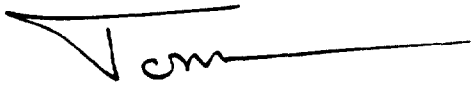


Interoffice Communication

To Safety Directors
From Tom Grumbles
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Subject OSHA - ACCESS TO EMPLOYEE EXPOSURE AND MEDICAL RECORDS

In the Federal Register text attached, OSHA has published interpretations of the records access standard concerning four issues of continuing concern.

The most significant interpretation for our operations is probably the one dealing with the 15-day response time. As long as an employer is making a good faith effort to provide requested records as soon as possible and is keeping the requestor informed of reasons for any delay, OSHA will not cite for violations of the standard.



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