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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

29 CFR Parts 1910 and 1926

[Docket Number H-033-d]

Occupational Exposure to Asbestos, Tremolite, Anthophyllite and Actinolite

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor**ACTION:** Final Rule

SUMMARY: In this final standard the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) amends its present standards for regulating occupational exposure to asbestos in general industry (29 CFR 1910.1001) and construction (29 CFR 1928.56).

OSHA has reviewed available relevant evidence concerning the health effects of non-asbestiform tremolite, anthophyllite and actinolite and has also examined the feasibility of various regulatory options. Based on the entire rulemaking record before it, OSHA has made a determination that substantial evidence is lacking to conclude that non-asbestiform tremolite, anthophyllite and actinolite present the same type or magnitude of health effect as asbestos. Further, substantial evidence does not support a finding that exposed employees would be at a significant risk because non-asbestiform tremolite, anthophyllite or actinolite was not regulated in the asbestos standards.

OSHA hereby lifts the Administrative Stay, removes and reserves 29 CFR 1910.1101, and amends the revised asbestos standards (29 CFR Sections 1910.1001 and 1026.58) to remove non-asbestiform tremolite, anthophyllite and actinolite from their scope.

DATES: This standard shall become effective immediately.

ADDRESSES: For additional copies of this document, contact OSHA Office of Publications; U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3101, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20210, Telephone (202) 523-9667.

For copies of materials in the docket, contact: OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. H-033d, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20210, Telephone (202) 523-7894. The hours of operation of the Docket Office are 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

In compliance with 28 U.S.C. 2112(a), the Agency designates for receipt of petitions for review of this final decision, under Section 6(f) of the OSH Act, the Associate Solicitor for Occupational Safety and Health, Office of the Solicitor, Room S-4004, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20210.

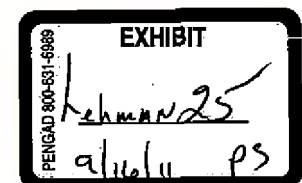
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