Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company
Inspection Site: 4101 Washington Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607

Citation 1 Item 1 Type of Violation: Serious

29 CFR 1915.152(a): The employer did not provide or ensure each affected employee with the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for the eyes, face, head, extremities, torso, and respiratory system including protective clothing, protective barriers, personal fall protection equipment, and life saving equipment, meeting the applicable provisions of Subpart I, wherever employees were exposed to work activity hazards that required the use of PPE.

a.) Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, Pier 3, USS Carl Vinson, Space #01-141-2Q. On or about February 13, 2008, personal protection equipment (PPE) was not provided to an employee removing a wooden cover from a vent plenum, thus exposing the employee to a fall hazard of approximately forty (40) feet created when the wooden cover was removed.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: 04/01/2008
Proposed Penalty: $5000.00

Thomas L. Edwards
Area Director

See pages 1 through 7 of this Citation and Notification of Penalty for information on employer and employee rights and responsibilities.