DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2015-0005]

Federal Advisory Council on Occupational Safety and Health (FACOSH)

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Announcement of the renewal of the FACOSH charter and appointment of new members to FACOSH.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Labor has renewed the FACOSH charter and appointed six individuals to serve on FACOSH.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Renewal of FACOSH Charter

On September 30, 2015, President Barack Obama signed Executive Order (E.O.) 13708 continuing certain federal advisory committees, including FACOSH, until September 30, 2017 (80 FR 60271 (10/15/2015)). In response, the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) renewed and filed the FACOSH charter on October 14, 2015. FACOSH will terminate on September 30, 2017,
unless the President continues the committee. (The FACOSH charter is available to read or 
download on the FACOSH page on OSHA’s Webpage at http://www.osha.gov.)

FACOSH is authorized by 5 U.S.C. 7902, section 19 of the Occupational Safety and 
Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act) (29 U.S.C. 668), and E.O. 11612, as amended, to advise the 
Secretary on all matters relating to the occupational safety and health of federal employees. This 
includes providing advice on how to reduce and keep to a minimum the number of injuries and 
illnesses in the federal workforce and how to encourage each federal Executive Branch 
department and agency to establish and maintain effective occupational safety and health 
programs.

Appointment of FACOSH Members

FACOSH is comprised of 16 members; eight who represent federal agency management 
and eight from labor organizations that represent federal employees. The Secretary has 
appointed or re-appointed the following individuals to serve on FACOSH:

Federal employee representatives:

- Mr. William Dougan, National Federation of Federal Employees (Reappointment). 
  Term expires December 31, 2018;
- Ms. Nan Thompson Ernst, American Federation of State, County and Municipal 
  Employees. Term expires December 31, 2016;
- Ms. Deborah Kleinberg, Seafarers International Union (Reappointment). Term expires 
  December 31, 2018; and
- Ms. Irma Westmoreland, National Nurses United (Reappointment). Term expires 
  December 31, 2018.

Federal agency management representatives:
• Mr. Gregory Parham, U.S. Department of Agriculture (Reappointment). Term expires December 31, 2018; and

• Mr. Charles Rosenfarb, U.S Department of State. Term expires December 31, 2018.

Authority and Signature

David Michaels, Ph.D., MPH, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 7902; 5 U.S.C. App. 2; 29 U.S.C. 668; E.O. 13708 (80 FR 60271 (10/5/2015) and 12196 (45 CFR 12629 (2/27/1980)); 41 CFR part 102-3; and Secretary of Labor’s Order No. 1-2012 (77 FR 3912 (1/25/2012)).

Signed at Washington, DC, on November 19, 2015.

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