



# University of Toronto

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT, HUMAN RESOURCES AND EQUITY

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TO: Business Board

FROM: Professor Angela Hildyard

DATE: January 5, 2006 for January 16, 2006

AGENDA ITEM: 8

## **ITEM IDENTIFICATION: Health and Safety Requirements – Report on Compliance**

At the May 2, 2005 Business Board meeting, Professor Hildyard undertook to provide the Business Board with a quarterly statement with respect to the University's compliance with legal requirements in the area of health and safety. This is the second such quarterly statement.

## **JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Business Board is responsible for monitoring health and safety compliance. This report is for information.

## **PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

Outlined above.

## **STATEMENT:**

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission conducted a regulatory compliance audit of the University's radiation safety program in early December, 2005. Two teams spent 3 days interviewing employees and conducting inspections. We expect to receive a report by middle of January. We have been advised that the CNSC will be issuing a number of directives and action notices. We have begun reviewing the implications and have already taken action with respect to several of the anticipated directives and action notices. A complete report will be provided to Business Board once the CNSC audit report has been received.

In December the Ministry of Labour issued several orders with respect to the Joint Health and Safety Committee at 155 College, the newly renovated building housing the Faculty of Nursing and the Departments of Public Health Sciences and Health Policy, Management and Evaluation within the Faculty of Medicine. The faculties have provided a joint response in full compliance of the orders.

In summary, based on the reports I have received through the operation of our occupational health and safety policy, to the best of my knowledge the University is in compliance with its health and safety obligations.