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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Employees

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Director, Environment, Health, and Safety

DATE: May 2023

SUBJECT: Annual Asbestos Notification

As in past years, and in accordance with Section 25915.1 of the California Health and Safety Code, we are providing this notice to inform you of the presence of asbestos containing building materials (ACM) at San Francisco State University. Buildings built in the United States between 1900 and 1981 were often constructed using building materials that contain asbestos fibers. Examples of these materials include sprayed on structural fireproofing, pipe insulation, vinyl floor coverings, thermal pipe insulation, wall board and joint compound and roofing materials.

For information on the location of asbestos at SFSU, see the attached spreadsheet. For information of the health effects of exposure to asbestos see the attached document.

Asbestos fibers in building materials may become airborne due to material aging, deterioration, damage or construction/demolition work (e.g. drilling, boring, or otherwise disturbing ACM). Inhalation of airborne asbestos fibers has been shown to cause lung disease and cancer (Mesothelioma, Asbestosis, etc.).

A comprehensive Asbestos Operations and Maintenance Plan has been implemented to ensure asbestos fibers contained in building materials do not become airborne.

San Francisco State University employees, faculty, staff and volunteers play an important role in ensuring ACM in our facilities does not become airborne and pose a health risk.

- Do not drill holes, cut or damage wallboard
- Do not lift or otherwise disturb ceiling tiles
- Do not damage or remove floor tile
- Do not "clean up" or in any way disturb fireproofing or insulation.

You must comply with warning signs associated with asbestos maintenance or construction activities and may not engage in any activity you believe might disturb ACM.

If you have questions or concerns about ACM please contact Environment, Health and Safety at (415) 338- 2565, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Thank you for your commitment to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy environment at San Francisco State University.