

**State of Alaska
Department of Labor
Division of Labor Standards and Safety**

AKOSH Program Directive 97-03

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To: All AKOSH Staff

From: Alan W. Dwyer, Director

Subject: Notification of Standard Action, Occupational Exposure to 1,3 Butadiene, Final Rule.

This program directive, PD 97-03 will implement the *Notification of Standard Action, Occupational Exposure to 1,3 Butadiene, Final Rule*. This instruction is attached and becomes part of this program directive. PD 97-03 conveys the attached final rule for 29 C.F.R. 1910.1000, which was published in the Federal Register on November 4, 1996 in Volume 60, No. 214 effective on the national level as of February 3, 1997. Subsequent dates for engineering controls and exposure goal program are contained in the federal register.

The state will officially adopt this standard within the next six months. A requirement of our OSHA state plan 18(e) certification is that the program enforce this standard under the General Duty Requirement until the standard is adopted at the state level.

The State of Alaska's General Duty Requirement is found in AS 18.60.075(a)(3), which requires that "An employer shall do everything necessary to protect the life, health and safety of employees including, but not limited to: adopting and prescribing control or technological procedures, and monitoring and measuring employee exposure in connection with hazards, as may be necessary for the protection of employees."

Effective immediately and until the adoption of a state-specific standard as effective as that adopted under 29 C.F.R. 1910.1000 enforce this standard following established procedures for the General Duty Requirement.

Attachment: Notification of Standard Action, Occupational Exposure to 1,3 Butadiene, Final Rule

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