North Carolina Department of Labor Division of Occupational Safety and Health Raleigh, North Carolina

Chapter 7 Subchapter 7F CFR Revision 39B

Field Information System

Occupational Exposure to Cotton Dust

29 CFR 1910.1043 General Industry

Discussion:

On December 7, 2000, OSHA promulgated a direct final rule amending its occupational health standard for Cotton Dust, which was issued in 1978 and amended in 1985, to add cotton washed in a batch kier system to the types of washed cotton partially exempt from the cotton dust standard.

Action:

The federal effective date was April 6, 2001. Federal OSHA extended the effective date for state plans to adopt the rule by 6 months from this date. The N.C. Department of Labor, Division of Occupational Safety and Health adopted the revisions to the Occupational Exposure to Cotton Dust Standard verbatim with an effective date of October 1, 2001.

Refer to the 12/07/2000 *Federal Register* (Volume 65, No. 236) for the details related to these requirements.

NC Effective Date: October 1, 2001 NCAC Number: <u>13 NCAC 7F.0101</u>

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