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## NOTICE OF VERBATIM ADOPTION OF FEDERAL STANDARDS

In consideration of G.S. 150B-21.5(c) the Occupational Safety and Health Division of the Department of Labor hereby gives notice that:

- Rule changes have been submitted to update the *North Carolina Administrative Code* at 13 NCAC 07F .0101 to incorporate by reference the occupational safety and health related provisions of Title 29 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Parts 1910 promulgated as of July 14, 2020, except as specifically described, and
- The North Carolina Administrative Code at 13 NCAC 07A .0301 automatically adopts subsequent amendments to certain parts of the Code of Federal Regulations. Title 29, Part 1910—General Industry Standards does not automatically include subsequent amendments.

This update encompasses the following recent verbatim adoption:

- Occupational Safety and Health Standards, Revising the Beryllium Standard for General Industry, 29 CFR § 1910 (85 FR 42582, July 14, 2020)

The final rule, published in the Federal Register on July 14, 2020 (85 FR 42582), amends the existing general industry standard for occupational exposure to beryllium and beryllium compounds to clarify certain provisions and simplify or improve compliance. The revisions in this final rule are designed to maintain or enhance worker protections overall by ensuring that the rule is well understood and compliance is more straightforward. OSHA's final rule was effective September 14, 2020.

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## Summary of Verbatim Adoptions Effective January 8, 2021

## Occupational Safety and Health Standards

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The attached amendment of 13 NCAC 07F .0101 is required by 29 CFR 1902.4(a)(1) and G.S. 95-131(a) in order for North Carolina's Occupational Safety and Health program to be as effective as the federal program and to maintain North Carolina's state plan status under the federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. This rule was adopted in accordance with 150B-21.5(c). Pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 150B-21.3(e), the effective date of this action is January 8, 2021.