

Meeting with Pierce Building Occupants

Date: 7/11/2019

Time: 1:00-3:00pm

Location: Pierce 2226

Representatives

Name	Organization/Company
Blythe Wilson	UCR Planning, Design and Construction (PD&C)
Dave Bomba	UCR PD&C
Gerry Bomotti	UCR Planning, Budget and Administration
David Aldridge	W.E. O'Neill
Greg	W.E. O'Neill
Debbie Moser	W.E. O'Neill Safety
Sheila Hedayati	UCR Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S)
Tracy Stark	UCR EH&S
Tiffany Kwok	UCR EH&S
Ingrid Fahr	UCR Risk Management

Project Overview and Scope	UCR PD&C provided a project overview and scope, which included the abatement work.
Abatement Containment	<p>Contractors described abatement containment set up as having covered walls from wall base up across the ceiling and to the other wall base. Secondary containment was inadequate – did not set up full containment around the inside of the doors. Plastic behind the door was pushed under the door but not sealed. Contractor set up isolated negative air pressure using HEPA filtered vacuum.</p> <p><b>Action Item:</b> UCR is requiring 3<sup>rd</sup> party review of the containments in the future by Ambient Environmental. PD&amp;C will coordinate with EH&amp;S and Ambient Environmental to review abatement work prior to re-occupancy. EH&amp;S will notify Cal/OSHA and share the event with them. UCR is requiring the contractor to respond about this breach in protocol, so we can share with others, and in order to gain confidence in the project going forward.</p>
Sampling results	<p>Initial sampling was conducted while under containment. Upon receipt of air samples indicating no airborne asbestos, containment was taken down Saturday afternoon.</p> <p>Sunday the building was locked so minimal access was available.</p> <p>Monday (7/8/19), upon notification of excessive dust in office spaces and labs around 9:45 am, PD&amp;C and EH&amp;S arrived between 10:15 &amp; 10:30 to assess the dust situation. We walked many of the rooms and labs taking pictures and assessing the situation. When EH&amp;S arrived several occupants had cleaned their desks themselves as instructed</p>

	<p>by their supervisor. At about 11:00 am PD&amp;C and EH&amp;S agreed to have the asbestos consultant conduct additional sampling, place the area back into containment, and re-clean the area. The contractors arrived by 11:30 and Ambient Environmental arrived shortly after. Occupants were notified to vacate the first floor space until additional information became available about 11:15. The supervisors in the offices were notified first and they began making arrangements and notifying their people immediately. All occupants were out by about 12:00p.</p> <p>Two samples were taken from the floor and one sample was taken at a countertop of the dusty areas. The two floor samples were positive for asbestos containing materials. Asbestos fibers were affixed to mastic particles, while the countertop sample was confirmed construction dust with no asbestos containing material. Due to the density of the encapsulated fibers within the mastic, the likelihood of particles remaining airborne after 24+ hours is unlikely; Therefore, the air sample results indicate that no asbestos was airborne.</p>
Laboratory equipment concerns	The equipment and optics in Dr. Bartels’ lab need cleaning. Dave Bomba has already spoken to Dr. Bartels about this and spoke to him again at the end of the meeting.(but we said we would test the dust on it and give the results to the vendor hired)
Office spaces	<p>Employees shared concerns that offices still are dusty despite cleaning efforts.</p> <p><b>Action Item:</b> Ambient Environmental is coming tonight (7/11/19) to conduct additional bulk sampling of each office spaces and labs to confirm remaining dust is not contaminated. When and how will the results be shared? Cleaning crew coming in post sampling to deep clean all office spaces. Carpet will be cleaned over the weekend. Specific areas to be clean should be demarcated.</p> <p>If cleaning is still not satisfactory or offices are locked, PD&amp;C and the contractor can arrange to clean during work hours. This should be arranged through the PD&amp;C Project Manager, Dave Bomba</p>
Relocation of occupants	Currently there is no changes in the plan to relocate anyone. PD&C and EH&S will work with contractors to ensure this does not happen again.
Pierce fume hoods	<p>Individuals shared concerns of the loss in face velocity in fume hoods in two specific areas of the building – list this. That is not an issue related to the construction project. It is a Facilities Services issue and not related to the construction project.</p> <p><b>Action Item:</b> EH&amp;S is investigating the situation with Facilities.</p>
Medical Evaluation and Workers’ Compensation	<p>All meeting attendees were provided Worker’s Comp information and encouraged to fill out an EFR (Employee’s First Report). Anyone who is concerned about their health is encouraged to speak to a physician to determine the best course of action for their individual needs. We have the UC Center of Excellence in Occupational Health available for consultation and evaluation specific instructions.</p> <p>Employees are encouraged to use the campus approved medical providers but are not limited to those clinics.</p>

	<p>Everyone is entitled to one paid visit outside of a WC claim and then based on their decision, a claim can be opened if they choose.</p> <p>Action Items: Employees to complete EFR (<a href="https://ehs.ucop.edu/efr/home">https://ehs.ucop.edu/efr/home</a>)</p> <p>A HOW TO SUBMIT AN EFR DOCUMENT WAS DISTRIBUTED.</p> <p>Non paid students who wish to pursue a medical evaluation should contact Risk Management.</p>
Time off	<p>Employee questioned if time off to see doctor would be paid or needed to use sick time. Risk Management explained that on the day of injury or “noticing” the injury, time off to see to the doctor is covered for exempt employees and hourly can be paid, however if additional visits after the initial evaluation occur, time out of the office would count as sick time.</p> <p>Action Item: Employees to consult with Deborah McWilliams if there are concerns and she can contact the VC is needed.</p>