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January 17, 2006

"The Employer"

The Chief Compliance Officer is writing in response to the employer's letter dated January 2, 2006. In the employer's letter, the employer indicates that due to staff changes and office space changes the employer is unable to provide the Chief Compliance Officer with the information the Chief Compliance Officer requested when the Chief Compliance Officer met with the employer on May 16, 2005.

As a result of this lack of information, on August 11, 2005 the Chief Compliance Officer wrote to the employer indicating that the employer's request for deviation was denied.

The employer is now providing the Chief Compliance Officer with an update indicating that the employer continues to face challenges for overall office space and that the employer will be making significant changes sometime in the spring that may include space for a first aid room.

In the interim, a committee has identified a room that is fairly centrally located and has converted this to a combined meeting room and first aid room. The employer states, in the employer's letter, that it meets or exceeds all of the requirements of the legislation with the exception of a sink and that the staff washrooms are 10 metres from this room. The employer feels this is a reasonable interim solution until the employer is in a position to have either a permanent space designated and/or a physical space restructuring is completed.

Based on the information the employer has provided, the Chief Compliance Officer accepts the employer's proposal for a first aid room as an interim solution and a deviation is granted until a final proposal is submitted to the Chief Compliance Officer for the Chief Compliance Officer's reconsideration on or before January 18, 2007.

By copy of this letter, the Chief Compliance Officer has advised WHSCC staff of the decision.

Regards,

Chief Compliance Officer

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