



## SOCIAL SECURITY

### MEMORANDUM

Date: APR 24 2008

To: Ricardo Prieto, Field Services Specialist  
Region VI

From: Tara Barker, Industrial Hygienist  
Office of Environmental Health  
and Occupational Safety

Subject: Asbestos Initial Inspection Report for the SSA Poteau Field Office (E32) --INFORMATION

Attached is a copy of the U.S. Public Health Service's (PHS) Asbestos Inspection Report for the SSA Poteau Field Office located at 1306 Tarby Road, Poteau, OK 74953. We have reviewed this report and concur with the findings and recommendations. No asbestos-containing material was identified during this inspection. A copy of this report should be maintained for as long as necessary to document the inspection.

Please forward a copy of this report to the SSA field office manager, the local GSA representative, and your regional labor management representative for distribution to the Union health and safety representative. If you have any questions or need additional information concerning this report, please contact me on 410-965-7462 or Crystal Pauley on 410-966-9369. If you have any other environmental concerns, please contact our **Environmental Hotline** on 410-966-7026.

Attachment: Asbestos Inspection Report for the Poteau FO (E32)

cc:

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## **A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

On December 19, 2007 James Fontenarosa, an accredited asbestos inspector representing the U.S. Public Health Service Federal Occupational Health, conducted an initial asbestos inspection at the Poteau Field Office (Social Security Administration Code E32, GSA building number OK1489) located at 1306 Tarby Road in Poteau, OK 74943. The asbestos inspection included the visual examination of all Social Security Administration occupied spaces, mechanical spaces serving the SSA office, bulk sampling suspect materials, and analysis of suspected asbestos-containing building materials identified at the facility. Thirteen building materials suspected of containing asbestos were identified that included: ceiling tile, wallboard, joint compound, wall vinyl base coves and associated adhesives, floor tile and associated mastic, carpet mastic, caulking, sink coating, and pipe putty. Forty-five bulk samples of building materials suspected to contain asbestos were collected during this asbestos inspection. A total of forty-five bulk materials were analyzed. The Federal Occupational Health National Environmental Reference Laboratory in Denver, Colorado analyzed samples for asbestos using polarized light microscopy.

Laboratory analytical results indicated that asbestos was not detected in any of the building materials sampled during this inspection. No further action is necessary.