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As you are all aware, we will be re-issuing Manual Handbook Section 1112-1 in the very near future. This handbook will contain revised Abatement Plan forms and instructions. Further, 29 CFR 1960.30(c) requires that an Abatement Plan be prepared for all unsafe or unhealthful working conditions that cannot be corrected within 30 days.

Pending issuance of the revised Handbook, you should use the attached Abatement Plan Form and Instructions for all uncorrected safety and occupational health deficiencies that have a Risk Assessment Code of 3 or higher and cannot be corrected within 30 days. This form is substantially identical to the one that will be issued in the revised Handbook, subject only to the vagaries of the editing and publishing process.

This issue is particularly critical now that the Bureau is embarking on an aggressive program to replace antenna structures that do not meet safety standards and to meet the requirements of the narrow-band radio communications program. Any antenna that is being replaced for safety reasons, and cannot be replaced within 30 days, must have an Abatement Plan.

Abatement Plans are an important part of our effort to fully integrate Risk Management into all Bureau decision-making and operations.

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3 Attachments

- 1 - Abatement Plan Form (1 p)
- 2 - Abatement Plan Form Instructions (1 p)
- 3 - Copy of 29 CFR 1960.30 (1 p)

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