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Identification Card for Spot Inspection

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I hereby prove that the officer indicated shall engage  
in the spot inspection pursuant to the provision of  
Article 96-2 of the Industrial Safety and Health Act  
(Act No. 57 of 1972).

Date:

President of National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, Japan

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Excerpts from the Industrial Safety and Health Act (Act No. 57 of 1972)

(Implementation of Investigation, etc. of Causes of Industrial Accident by Research Institute)

Article 96-2

- (1) The Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare may, in case that the investigation of causes of an accident is to be carried out pursuant to the provision of paragraph (2) or (3) of Article 93 and when he/she finds it necessary taking into account the magnitude of the said accident or other situations, have the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (Hereinafter referred to as "Institute") carry out the said investigation.
- (2) The Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare may, when he/she finds it necessary, have the Institute carry out the spot inspection pursuant to the provision of paragraph (1) of Article 94 (limited to the investigation prescribed in the preceding paragraph).
- (3) The Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare shall, when having the Institute carry out the spot inspection pursuant to the provision of preceding paragraph, instruct the Institute to carry out it while indicating the place of the said spot inspection and other necessary matters.
- (4) The Institute shall, when having carried out the investigation according to the instruction prescribed in preceding paragraph, report its result to the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare.
- (5) The provisions of paragraph (3) and (4) of Article 91 shall apply mutatis mutandis in respect to spot inspection pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph (2). In this case, "Labour Standards Inspector" in paragraph (3) of the same Article shall be read as "staff of the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health"

(Order to Institute)

Article 96-3

The Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare may, when he/she finds it necessary to ensue the proper implementation of business of the investigation prescribed in paragraph (1) of the preceding Article and the spot inspection prescribed in paragraph (2) of the same Article, give the necessary order on these businesses to the Institute.

Article 120

A person who comes under the following items shall be punished with a fine not exceeding 500,000 yen:

(items (i) to (iii) are omitted)

(iv) A person who has refused, impeded or evaded the entrance, inspection, working environment measurement, collection of samples or medical examination under the provisions of paragraph (1) or (2) of Article 91, paragraph (1) of Article 94 or paragraph (1), (2) or (4) of Article 96 or a person who has refused to reply or made mendacious reply to the questions under the provisions of the said paragraphs.

(items (v) and (vi) are omitted)

(Reference)

(Authority of Labour Standards Inspector)

Article 91

(paragraphs (1) and (2) are omitted)

(3) In a case that falls under the preceding two paragraphs, the Labour Standards Inspector shall carry an identification card certifying his or her status and show it to the persons concerned.

(4) The authority of spot inspection under the provisions of paragraph (1) shall not be interpreted as authorization for the purpose of criminal investigation.

(Expert Officer in Industrial Safety and Expert Officers on Industrial Health)

Article 93

(paragraph (1) is omitted)

(2) The Expert Officer in Industrial Safety shall administer affairs related to the permission prescribed in paragraph (1) of Article 37, the safety and health improvement plan and notification, and affairs related to safety investigation of causes of industrial accidents and other matters requiring the high expert knowledge, as well as perform to give guidance and assistance to employers and workers and those concerned on the matters necessary for preventing dangers to workers.

(3) The Expert Officer in Industrial Health shall administer affairs related to the permission prescribed in paragraph (1) of Article 56, the recommendation pursuant to the provision of paragraph(4) of Article 57-3, the instruction pursuant to the provision of paragraph(1)of Article 57-4, matters on expertise for the work environment improvement plan and the notification, and affairs related to health on investigation of the industrial accidents and other matters requiring the high expert knowledge, as well as perform to give guidance and assistance to employers and workers and those concerned on the matters necessary for preventing workers' health impairment, and preserving and promoting the health of workers.

(paragraph (4) is omitted)

(Authority of Expert Officers on Industrial Safety and Expert Officers on Industrial Health)

Article 94

(1) The Expert Officer in Industrial Safety and Expert Officer in Industrial Health may, when she/ he finds it necessary to perform the affairs pursuant to the provision of paragraph (2) and (3) of the preceding article, enter workplaces, question persons concerned, inspect books, documents and other articles or conduct the working environment measurement, or collect without compensation samples of the products, raw materials of implements to the extent necessary for the inspection.

(paragraph (2) is omitted)

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