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Preface

As a U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) facility whose operations involve the use of radionuclides, Berkeley Lab is subject to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) radioactive air emission regulations in Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 40, Part 61, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) ([EPA 1989](#)). Subpart H of this regulation (subsequently referred to as NESHAP) establishes standards for exposure of the public to radionuclides (other than radon) released from DOE facilities. This regulation limits the emission of radionuclides to ambient air from DOE facilities. Such emissions may not exceed amounts that would cause any member of the public to receive an effective dose equivalent (subsequently referred to as dose) of 10 mrem/yr (0.1 mSv/yr).

Under the NESHAP regulation, DOE facilities are required to submit an annual report each year. The NESHAP regulation specifies the content of the report and DOE provides further guidance ([DOE 1994](#)). This document is Berkeley Lab's annual report on radionuclide air emissions and meets the NESHAP requirements for reporting. This report can be found on the Laboratory's website at <http://www.lbl.gov/ehs/esg/Reports/tableforreports.shtml>.

Executive Summary

Berkeley Lab operates facilities where radionuclides are handled and stored. These facilities are subject to the EPA radioactive air emission regulations in 40CFR61, Subpart H ([EPA 1989](#)). Radionuclides may be emitted from stacks or vents on buildings where radionuclide production or use is authorized or they may be emitted as diffuse sources. In 2009, all Berkeley Lab sources were minor sources of radionuclides (sources resulting in a potential dose of less than 0.1 mrem/yr [0.001 mSv/yr]). These minor sources included more than 100 stack sources and one source of diffuse emissions. There were no unplanned emissions from the Berkeley Lab site. Emissions from minor sources (stacks and diffuse emissions) either were measured by sampling or monitoring or were calculated based on quantities used, received for use, or produced during the year. Using measured and calculated emissions, and building-specific and common parameters, Laboratory personnel applied the EPA-approved computer code, CAP88-PC, to calculate the effective dose equivalent to the maximally exposed individual (MEI). The effective dose equivalent from all sources at Berkeley Lab in 2009 is 7.0×10^{-3} mrem/yr (7.0×10^{-5} mSv/yr) to the MEI, well below the 10 mrem/yr (0.1 mSv/yr) dose standard. The location of the MEI is at the University of California (UC) Lawrence Hall of Science, a public science museum about 1500 ft (460 m) east of Berkeley Lab's Building 56. The estimated collective effective dose equivalent to persons living within 50 mi (80 km) of Berkeley Lab is 1.5×10^{-1} person-rem (1.5×10^{-3} person-Sv) attributable to the Lab's airborne emissions in 2009.

Acronyms

ALS	Advanced Light Source
CAP88-PC	EPA-approved dose calculation software
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
COMPLY	EPA-approved dose calculation software
DOE	U. S. Department of Energy
EPA	U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
HEPA	High-efficiency particulate air
JBEI	Joint BioEnergy Institute
LHS	Lawrence Hall of Science
LOASIS	Lasers and Optical Accelerator Systems Integrated Studies
MEI	Maximally exposed individual
NESHAP	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
TEDA	Triethylene diamine
TEDA-DAC	Triethylene-diamine-doped activated carbon
UC	University of California

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Facility Information

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory was founded by Ernest O. Lawrence in 1931. Lawrence received the 1939 Nobel Prize in physics for his invention of the cyclotron particle accelerator, and he is generally credited with the modern concept of interdisciplinary science, in which scientists, engineers, and technicians from different fields work together on complex scientific projects addressing national needs and programs. Lawrence's pioneering work established a great tradition of scientific inquiry and discovery at the Laboratory.

The Laboratory supports work in such diverse fields as chemistry, genomics, physical biosciences, nanoscience, life sciences, fundamental physics, accelerator physics and engineering, energy conservation technology, and materials science. Through its fundamental research in these fields, Berkeley Lab has achieved international recognition for its leadership and made numerous contributions to national programs. Berkeley Lab's research embraces the following concepts to align with the DOE mission:

- Explore the complexity of energy and matter
- Advance the science needed to attain abundant clean energy
- Understand energy impacts on our living planet
- Provide extraordinary tools for multidisciplinary research

1.1 Site Description

Berkeley Lab is located about 3 mi (5 km) east of San Francisco Bay ([see Figure 1-1](#)) on land owned by UC. The Laboratory's main site is situated on approximately 202 acres (82 hectares) of this land. University of California provides long-term land leases to the DOE for the buildings at the Laboratory.

The main site lies in the hills above the UC Berkeley campus, on the ridges and draws of Blackberry Canyon (which forms the western part of the site) and adjacent Strawberry Canyon (which forms the eastern part of the site). Elevations across the site range from 450 to 1,150 ft (135 to 350 m) above sea level. The western portion of the site is in Berkeley, with the eastern portion in Oakland ([see Figure 1-2](#)). The population of Berkeley is estimated at 103,000 and that of Oakland at 400,000 ([MTC/ABAG 2000](#)).

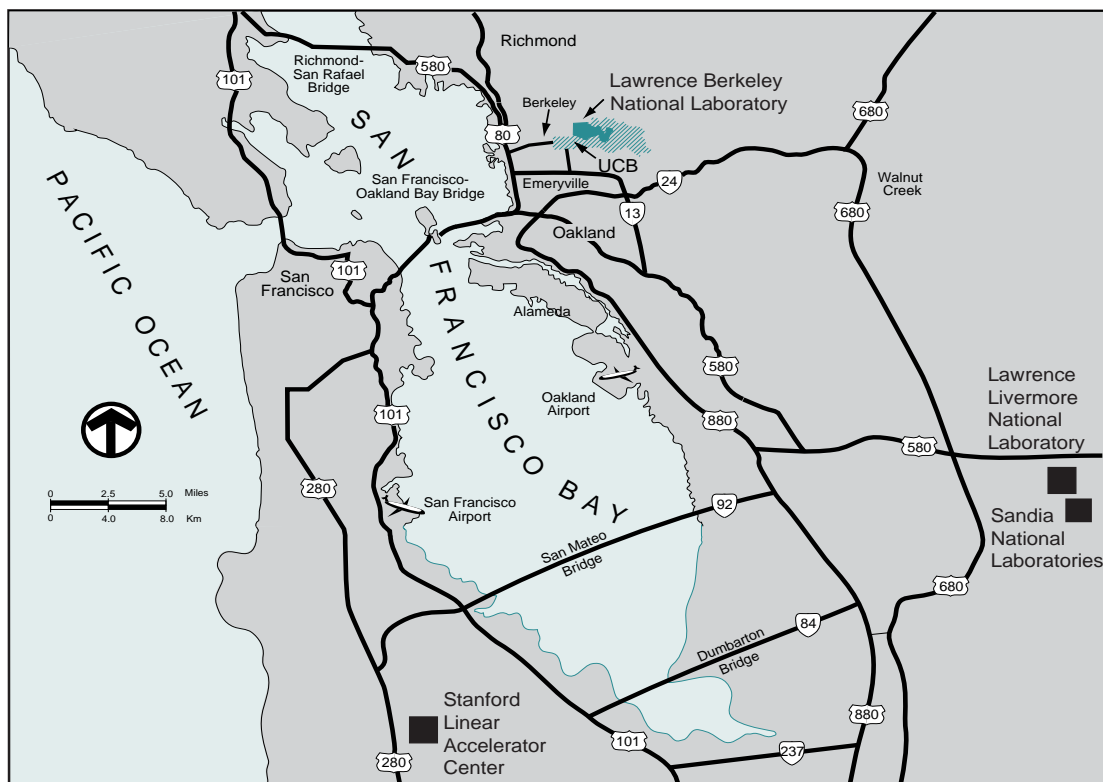


Figure 1-1 San Francisco Bay Area Map

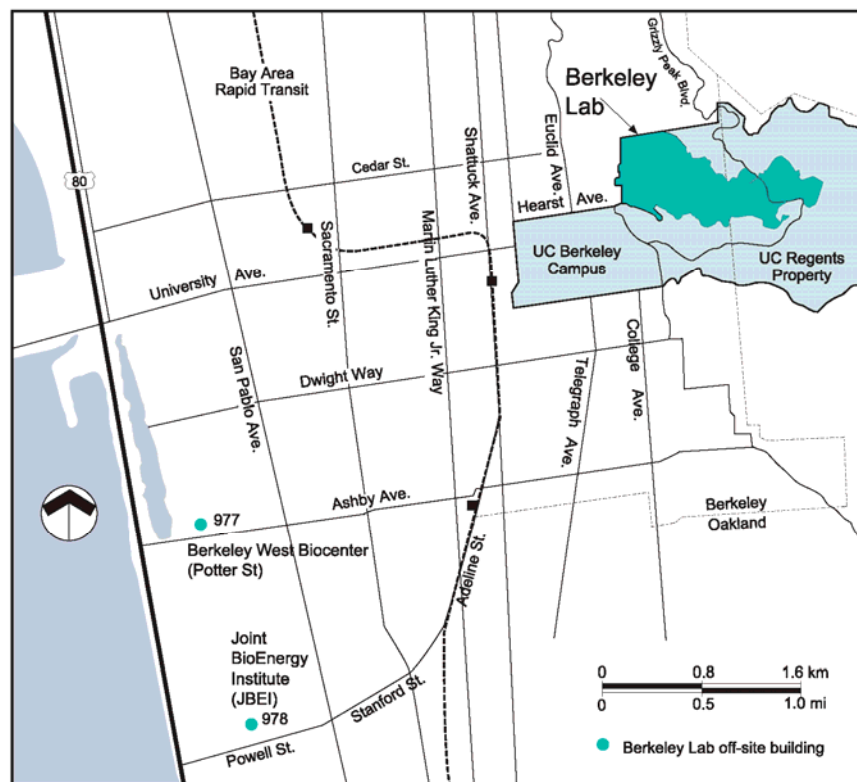


Figure 1-2 Vicinity Map

Adjacent land use consists of residential, institutional, and recreational areas. The area to the south and east of the Laboratory, which is UC land, is maintained largely in a natural state but includes UC Berkeley's Strawberry Canyon Recreational Area and Botanical Garden. Northeast of the Laboratory are the university's Lawrence Hall of Science, Space Sciences Laboratory, and Mathematical Sciences Research Institute. Berkeley Lab is bordered on the north by a residential neighborhood and on the west by the UC Berkeley campus, as well as by multiunit dwellings, student residence halls, and private homes. The area to the west of Berkeley Lab is highly urbanized.

The climate of the site is temperate, influenced by the moderating effects of nearby San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Ocean to the west, and on the east by the East Bay hills paralleling the eastern shore of this same bay. These physical barriers contribute significantly to the relatively warm, wet winters and cool, dry summers of the site. In 2009, precipitation totaled 29.7 in. (75.4 cm), absolute humidity averaged 7.71 g/m³, and ambient temperature averaged 55.8°F (13.2°C).

On-site wind patterns change little from one year to the next. The most prevalent wind pattern occurs during fair weather, with daytime westerly winds blowing off the bay, followed by lighter nighttime southeasterly drainage winds of the East Bay hills. The other predominant wind pattern is associated with storm systems passing through the region, which usually occur during the winter months. South-to-southeast winds in advance of each storm are followed by a shift to west or northwest winds after passage of the system.

Vegetation on the Berkeley Lab site is a mixture of native plants, naturalized exotics, and ornamental species. The site was intensively grazed and farmed for approximately 150 years before the development of the Laboratory at this site in the 1930s. At the main site, the Laboratory manages vegetation in harmony with the local natural succession of native plant communities. Berkeley Lab also works to maintain a wooded and savanna character in the areas surrounding buildings and roads. Ornamental species are generally restricted to public spaces and courtyards and to areas adjacent to buildings. The site has no rare, threatened, or endangered species of plants.

1.2 Source Description

Berkeley Lab operates facilities subject to the EPA's NESHAP regulations where radionuclides are produced, handled, and stored ([EPA 1989](#)). [Figure 1-3](#) illustrates the Berkeley Lab general site configuration, including locations of buildings where radionuclides are used or produced and the Lawrence Hall of Science (or LHS, the location of the MEI). Building 977, the Berkeley West Biocenter on Potter Street, and Building 978, the Joint BioEnergy Institute, are shown on [Figure 1-2](#).

Researchers at the Lab use a wide variety of liquid and solid radionuclides in their research programs. Work with radioactive material may be conducted on laboratory bench tops, in fumehoods, in gloveboxes, and/or under ultra-high vacuum. In addition, radioactive gases are a by-product of charged-particle accelerator operations in Buildings 6, 56, 71, and 88 include ¹¹C, ¹³N, ¹⁵O, ¹⁸F, and ³⁹Cl, which are short-lived radionuclides.

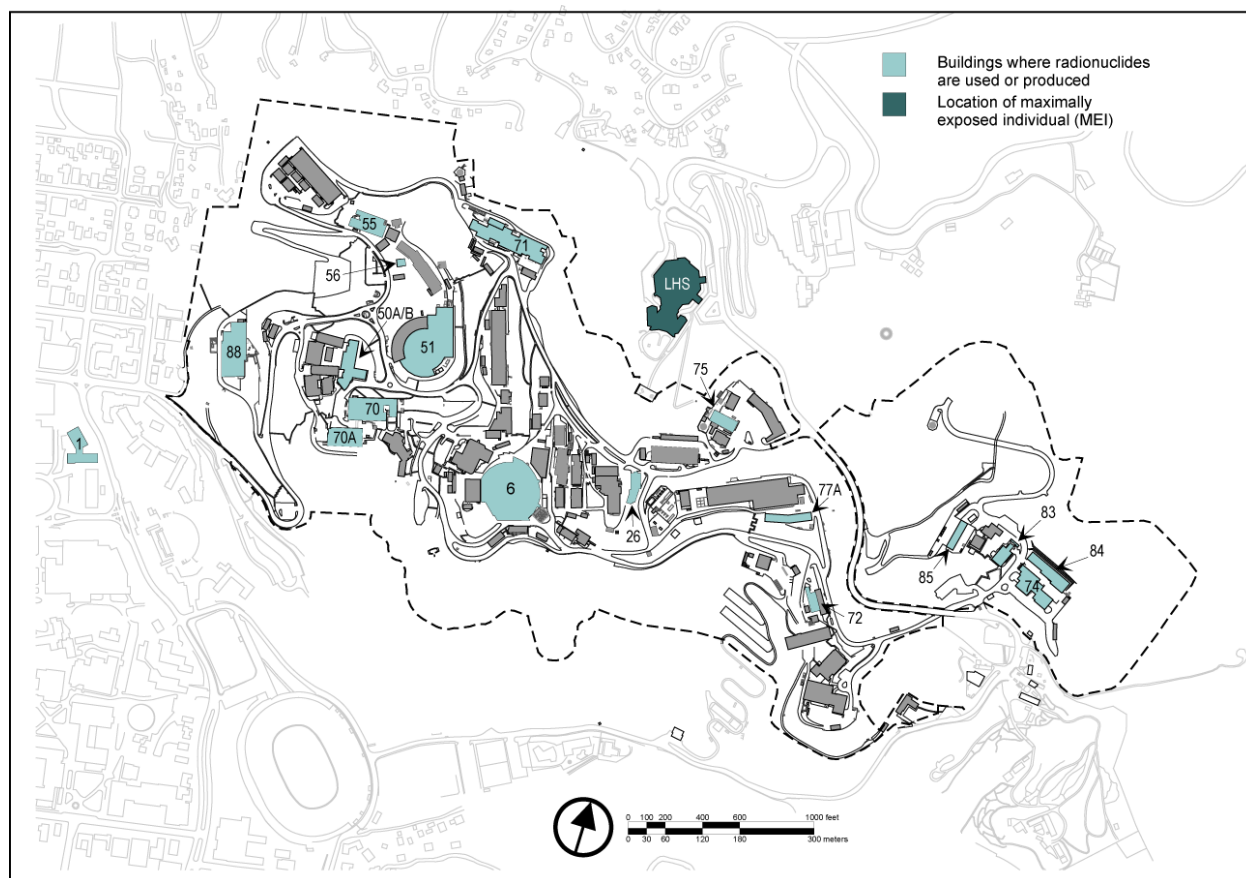


Figure 1-3 Berkeley Lab Buildings Where Radionuclides are Used or Produced

Radiochemical and radiobiological studies performed at Berkeley Lab typically use microcurie to tens of millicurie quantities of a variety of radionuclides. All use of radioactive material must be conducted in accordance with a Lab authorization or permit. An authorization or permit establishes the location of radioactive material areas (work areas where unsealed radioactive material is handled) and radioactive material storage areas (controlled areas where radioactive material is stored only, with no direct manipulation of the material), the required handling procedures, and appropriate work enclosures for each project.

[Table 1-1](#) identifies buildings at Berkeley Lab where use or production of unsealed radioactive material was authorized in 2009 and the radionuclides that were produced or authorized for use. Note that not all authorized radionuclides were necessarily used during the year.

Table 1-1 Buildings Where Unsealed Radionuclide Use or Production is Authorized by Berkeley Lab

Building	Building Name/Function	Radionuclides Authorized by Berkeley Lab
1	Donner Laboratory	C-14, H-3, I-125, P-32, U-238
6	Advanced Light Source (ALS)	Activation products, ^a Am-241, Am-243, Cm-243, Cm-246, Cm-248, Eu-152, Eu-154, H-3, I-129, Np-237, Pu-238, Pu-239, Pu-240, Pu-241, Pu-242, Sr-90, Tc-99, Th-232, U-233, U-235, U-238
26	Radioanalytical Laboratory	Ac-227, alpha, Am-241, Am-243, beta-gamma, C-11, C-14, Cm-244, F-18, Fe-55, H-3, I-125, I-129, I-131, Np-237, P-32, Pb-210, Pu-238, Pu-239, Pu-242, S-35, Sr-90, Th-229, Th-230, Th-232, U-232, U-natural
50A	Physics Research	Ag-106m, Au-194, Co-56, Co-57, Co-58, Co-60, Mn-52, Na-22, Ni-57, Re-184m, Sc-48, Se-75, Ta-182, V-48, Zn-65, Be-7, Sc-46, Ag-105, Mn-54
51	Former Bevatron	Alpha, beta-gamma
55	Center for Functional Imaging	Activation products, ^a C-11, C-14, Ce-141, Co-55, Co-57, Cr-51, Cu-64, F-17, F-18, Ge-68, H-3, I-123, I-125, I-131, N-13, Nb-95, O-14, O-15, Ru-103, Sc-46, Sr-85, Tc-99m, Tl-201, Zr-89
56	Biomedical Isotope Facility	Activation products, ^a C-11, Co-55, Co-57, Cr-51, F-17, F-18, N-13, O-14, O-15, Zr-89
70	Environmental Energy Technology, Nuclear Science, and Earth Sciences Research	Activation products, ^a Am-241, Am-243, Ba-133, Bi-207, Ce-141, Ce-144, Cf-249, Cf-252, Cm-243, Cm-248, Er-165, Er-169, Er-171, Es-253, Eu-152, Fe-59, H-3, Hf-172, Hf-175, Hf-181, Ho-166, Ho-166m, I-129, K-40, Na-22, Nb-95, Ni-57, Np-237, P-32, Pa-233, Pb-212, Pu-238, Pu-239, Ra-226, Re-189, Rh-101, Sb-125, Sc-46, Sm-153, Sr-89, Sr-90, Ta-179, Ta-182, Tb-160, Tc-99, Te-125m, Th-228, Th-229, Th-230, Th-232, Tl-208, U-234, U-235, U-238, Yb-169, Zn-65
70A	Nuclear, Chemical, and Life Sciences Research	Activation products, ^a Am-241, Am-243, Ba-133, Bk-249, C-11, C-14, Cf-249, Cf-250, Cf-252, Cl-36, Cm-243, Cm-245, Cm-246, Cm-248, Co-60, Es-253, Es-254, Eu-152, Eu-154, Eu-155, Fe-59, fission products, H-3, Ho-166m, K-40, Ni-65, Np-237, Np-239, P-32, P-33, Pa-231, Pb-205, Pb-210, Pu-238, Pu-239, Pu-240, Pu-241, Pu-242, Pu-244, Ra-226, Ra-228, Ru-106, Sr-89, Sr-90, Tc-99, Th-228, Th-229, Th-230, Th-232, Tl-208, U-232, U-233, U-234, U-235, U-238
71	Lasers and Optical Accelerator Systems Integrated Studies (LOASIS)	Activation products ^a
72	Low-Background Facility	Ac-227, activation products, ^a alpha, Am-241, Au-198, Be-10, Be-7, C-11, Cf-249, Cf-252, Co-56, Co-57, Co-58, Co-60, Cr-51, Cs-134, Eu-152, Eu-154, Fe-55, Fe-59, fission products, H-3, I-129, Na-22, Np-237, Np-239, P-32, Pa-231, Pu-238, Pu-239, Sb-124, Sc-46, Se-75, Sr-90, U-238, U-238, Zn-65
74	Life Sciences Research	C-11, C-14, Ce-141, Cu-64, F-18, Ge-68, H-3, I-123, I-125, I-131, N-13, Nb-95, O-15, P-32, Ru-103, S-35, Sc-46, Sr-85, Tc-99m, Tl-201
75	Radioanalytical Laboratory	Ac-227, activation products, ^a alpha, Am-241, Am-243, beta-gamma, C-11, C-14, Cm-244, F-18, Fe-55, H-3, I-125, I-129, I-131, Np-237, P-32, Pb-210, Pu-238, Pu-239, Pu-242, S-35, Sr-90, Th-229, Th-230, Th-232, U-232, U-238

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83	Life Sciences Research	P-32
84	Life Sciences Research	H-3, P-32, S-35
85	Hazardous Waste Handling Facility	Alpha, beta-gamma, C-14, H-3
88	88-Inch Cyclotron	Ac-227, activation products, ^a actinide tracers, alpha, Am-241, Au-198, Be-7, Be-10, beta-gamma, C-11, Cf-249, Cf-252, Cm-245, Cm-247, Cm-248, Co-56, Co-57, Co-58, Co-60, Cr-51, Cs-134, Eu-152, Eu-154, Fe-55, Fe-59, fission products, gamma tracers, Gd-148, H-3, Na-22, Np-237, Np-239, P-32, P-33, Pa-231, Pb-212, Pu-238, Pu-239, Pu-242, Pu-244, Sb-124, Sc-46, Se-75, Th-228, Th-229, Th-232, U-234, U-235, U-236, U-238, Zn-65
977	Berkeley West Biocenter (Potter Street Facility)	C-11, C-14, H-3, P-32
978	Joint BioEnergy Institute (JBEI)	C-14, Cd-109, H-3, P-32, S-35

^a Produced when materials such as air, water, and metals are activated by neutrons from accelerator or reactor operations

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Air Emissions Data

At Berkeley Lab, radionuclides may be emitted from stacks or other exhaust points (such as vents) on the buildings where radionuclide use is authorized (see [Table 1-1](#)). Alternatively, radionuclides may be uniformly released from an area or emanate from a number of points randomly distributed over an area; this is a diffuse source.

If the radionuclides emitted from any type of source could result in a potential dose of 0.1 mrem/yr (0.001 mSv/yr) or more to a member of the public at an off-site point where there is a residence, school, business, or office, it is considered a major source, and the EPA requires the Lab to measure its emissions continuously. Berkeley Lab has no major sources.

If emitted radionuclides could result in a potential dose of less than 0.1 mrem/yr (0.001 mSv/yr), the source of the radionuclides is considered a minor source. The EPA requires the Lab to perform periodic confirmatory measurements on such sources. In 2009, all Berkeley Lab sources were minor sources of radionuclides. Emissions from minor sources were either measured by real-time monitoring, continuous sampling with monthly analysis of the samples, or sampling for one month at a time four times a year; or were calculated based on quantities received, used, or produced during the year.

The approach to measuring radionuclides from Berkeley Lab sources is summarized in [Table 2-1](#), which EPA Region 9 approved in 2005 ([Jordan 2005](#)).

Table 2-1 EPA-Approved Radionuclide Emissions Measurement Approach

Potential Dose (mrem/yr) ^a	Category	Requirements
dose \geq 10.0	Non-compliant	Reduction or relocation of source term and reevaluation prior to authorization.
10.0 > dose \geq 1.0	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous sampling with weekly collection and analysis AND Real-time monitoring with alarming telemetry for short-lived ($t_{1/2} < 100$ h) radionuclides resulting in >10% of potential dose to the maximally exposed individual.
1.0 > dose \geq 0.1	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous sampling with monthly collection and analysis OR Real-time monitoring for short-lived ($t_{1/2} < 100$ h) radionuclides resulting in >10% of potential dose to the maximally exposed individual.
0.1 > dose \geq 0.01	3	Periodic sampling 25% of the year.
dose < 0.01	4	Potential dose evaluation before project starts and when annual radionuclide use limits (as authorized by internal Lab documents) are revised; no sampling or monitoring required.

^a 1 mrem = 0.01 mSv

Among the minor sources at Berkeley Lab are a few stacks, or point sources, where the emissions are measured. There are many more radioactive material areas, or group sources, where emissions are calculated.

Occasionally, activities at the Laboratory result in a diffuse source of radionuclide emissions. Diffuse sources are not actively ventilated and their emissions may be measured or calculated, depending on potential dose from those emissions ([Table 2-1](#)). In 2009, Berkeley Lab had one potential minor diffuse source, created when dirt from a trench dug near Building 75, a location where tritium has been found in soil in the past, was stored outside to dry out.

A single building may have all three types of sources: point (measured stacks [typically Category 3]), group (calculated emissions [Category 4]), and diffuse (calculated wide-area emissions [Category 3 or 4]) sources ([Table 2-2](#)). The total activity of each radionuclide from stack air measurements and calculations is shown in [Table 2-3](#).

Table 2-2 Measurement Category of Sources

Building	Major Sources		Minor Sources		Total
	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	
1	0	0	0	5	5
6	0	0	0	13	13
26	0	0	0	4	4
50A	0	0	0	1	1
51	0	0	0	1	1
55	0	0	0	8	8
56	0	0	2	0	2
70	0	0	0	13	13
70A	0	0	2	21	23
71	0	0	0	1	1
72	0	0	0	9	9
74	0	0	0	7	7
75	0	0	1	1	2
77A	0	0	0	1	1
83	0	0	0	2	2
84	0	0	0	8	8
85	0	0	2	0	2
88	0	0	3	10	13
977	0	0	0	5	5
978	0	0	0	2	2
Total	0	0	10	112	122

Table 2-3 Total Activity Emitted in 2009

Radio-nuclide	Activity (Ci/yr) ^a	Radio-nuclide	Activity (Ci/yr)	Radio-nuclide	Activity (Ci/yr)	Radio-nuclide	Activity (Ci/yr)
F-18	2.74E+00	Cl-38	1.70E-07	Mn-54	5.02E-11	Pu-240	4.51E-13
Kr-85	1.40E-03	Eu-152	2.60E-08	Sb-125	5.02E-11	Cf-251	4.13E-13
N-13	8.47E-04	U-238	1.66E-08	Co-57	4.52E-11	Sn-113	3.93E-13
Tc-99m	2.10E-04	Ar-41	5.00E-09	Pa-231	3.53E-11	I-129	2.97E-13
Ge-71	9.84E-05	Am-241	3.35E-09	Ba-133	2.71E-11	Au-195	1.98E-13
C-14	6.76E-05	Sr-90	2.65E-09	Ac-227	1.86E-11	Cm-243	7.21E-14
P-32	2.43E-05	Cm-248	1.23E-09	U-234	1.67E-11	Ru-106	1.54E-15
O-15	1.83E-05	I-125	8.95E-10	K-40	1.61E-11	Co-56	1.02E-15
H-3	8.01E-06	I-131	8.54E-10	Th-228	6.96E-12	Co-58	4.50E-16
C-11	2.70E-06	Cl-36	6.68E-10	Am-243	3.57E-10	Bi-207	4.03E-16
Cl-39	2.10E-06	Sc-46	4.32E-10	Pu-239	1.16E-10	Se-75	2.18E-16
Tc-99	1.49E-06	Np-237	2.16E-10	Cf-249	6.40E-12	Rb-83	7.84E-17
Cf-250	5.10E-07	Th-232	1.80E-10	Th-234	5.14E-12	Na-22	5.19E-17
Fe-59	5.05E-07	Cs-137	1.47E-10	Ra-226	3.09E-12	Ag-108m	2.60E-17
Pu-242	3.85E-07	Zn-65	9.51E-11	Ra-228	2.86E-12	Y-88	1.26E-17
Be-7	2.70E-07	Fe-55	9.49E-11	U-233	2.76E-12	Cr-51	9.01E-18
Zr-95	2.50E-07	Ni-63	7.55E-11	Pb-210	1.42E-12	Ag-105	3.60E-18
Pu-238	2.01E-07	Cs-134	6.22E-11	Th-230	1.24E-12	Alpha	0.00E+00
Beta	2.00E-07	Co-60	6.10E-11	U-235	4.58E-13		
						Total	2.74E+00

^a 1 Ci = 3.7 × 10¹⁰ Bq

2.1 Point Sources Measured Emissions

In accordance with the EPA-approved approach ([Table 2-1](#)), Berkeley Lab measures emissions from stacks or other exhaust points if the potential dose from the sources could exceed 0.01 mrem/yr (0.0001 mSv/yr); these are Category 3 sources (recall that Berkeley Lab has no major [Category 1 or 2] sources). Additionally, Berkeley Lab may choose to measure emissions from stacks with less dose impact (Category 4) to ensure that those emissions are well understood. Thus stacks where emissions are measured include both Category 3 and Category 4 sources ([Table 2-4](#)).

At sampled stacks, a representative sample of the exhaust air passes through the appropriate collection medium (silica gel for ³H, sodium hydroxide solution for ¹⁴C, activated carbon for ¹²⁵I, and fiberglass filter for particulate alpha- and beta-emitting radionuclides). Each medium is changed out after a month, and the radionuclides collected on the media are analyzed at a

Table 2-4 Stacks Where Radionuclide Emissions are Measured

Building	Number of Stacks	Stack Identification	Measurement Category	Emissions Control	Efficiency (%)
55	1	55-128H	4	HEPA ^a TEDA-DAC ^b	> 99 > 75
56	2	56-Accelerator 56-Glovebox	3 3	None ^c	NA
70	1	70-147A	4	HEPA	> 99
70A	2	70A-1129P/RT 70A-1129H	3 3	HEPA	> 99
75	1	75-127H	3	HEPA	> 99
85	2	85-Fumehood 85-Glovebox	3 3	HEPA	> 99
88	3	88-135H 88-Cave0 88-RT	3 3 3	HEPA	> 99

^a High-efficiency particulate air filter^b Triethylene-diamine-doped activated carbon trap^c Radionuclides emitted from accelerators are short-lived, gaseous, activation products, for which emission control is impractical

commercial laboratory. At sites that are continuously monitored in real time, a sample of the exhaust air is passed through or over detectors that provide a nearly instantaneous measurement of positron-emitting radionuclides (at Buildings 56 and 88) or alpha-emitting radionuclides (at Building 70A). Real-time measurements are recorded and archived.

Many stacks and vents at Berkeley Lab have effluent controls; that is, a filter to collect particulates or gases before they are released to the atmosphere. For example, the measured stacks (point sources) on Building 70A have high-efficiency particulate air filters to prevent small particles from entering the atmosphere. Where effluent controls are in place, samples are collected downstream from the filter. [Table 2-4](#) shows effluent controls on sampled and monitored stacks.

2.2 Group Sources: Calculated Emissions

In accordance with the EPA-approved approach ([Table 2-1](#)), Berkeley Lab calculates emissions from stacks or other exhaust points if the potential dose from the sources is less than 0.01 mrem/yr (0.0001 mSv/yr). These Category 4 sources (typically radioactive material areas where small amounts of radionuclides are authorized for use) are grouped by building, as shown in [Table 2-5](#), to simplify reporting ([DOE 1994](#)). The amount of each radionuclide emitted is calculated by multiplying the entire quantity of that radionuclide received, used, or produced during the year by the appropriate EPA-specified release factor based on the radionuclide's physical state (provided in 40 CFR Part 61, Appendix D). This method provides a conservative, upper-bound estimate of the annual emissions.

Table 2-5 Sources for Which Radionuclide Emissions are Calculated

Building	Number of Radioactive Material Areas	Emissions Control	Efficiency (%)
1	5	None	NA ^a
6	13	None	NA
26	4	None	NA
50A	1	None	NA
51	1	None	NA
55	8	HEPA ^b None	> 99 NA
70	13	HEPA None	> 99 NA
70A	21	HEPA None	> 99 NA
71	1	None	NA
72	9	None	NA
74	7	HEPA None	> 99 NA
75	1	HEPA None	> 99 NA
77A	1	None	NA
83	2	None	NA
84	8	None	NA
88	10	HEPA	> 99
977	5	None	NA
978	2	None	NA

^a Not applicable^b High-efficiency particulate air filter

Emissions are typically calculated assuming that all radionuclides received during the year are used in areas where stacks are not sampled or monitored. In fact, some received radionuclides may be emitted through sampled or monitored stacks. Emissions of these radionuclides are thus overestimated because they are accounted for as both calculated and measured emissions. For group sources there typically are no effluent controls because the emissions from these sources are very low activity.

2.3 Nonpoint Sources: Diffuse Emissions

Berkeley Lab had one potential source of diffuse emissions in 2009 created when dirt from a trench dug near Building 75, a location where tritium has been found in soil in the past, was stored outside to dry out. After storage, the dirt was sampled and no tritium was measured. The dirt was reused on the Berkeley Lab site. Potential emissions from soil storage were estimated using methods described in the EPA document, *Methods for Estimating Fugitive Air Emissions of Radionuclides from Diffuse Sources at DOE Facilities* ([EPA 2004](#)).

3.0

Dose Assessment

3.1 Dose Model

To comply with NESHAP regulations and DOE guidance, the EPA-approved atmospheric dispersion and radiation dose calculation computer code, CAP88-PC, Versions 2.1.1 and 3.0, was used to calculate the dose at various distances and from various release points ([EPA 2006](#)). For buildings 1, 977, and 978, where the nearest member of the public was much less than 328 ft (100 m) from the source, the EPA-approved dose model COMPLY was used for that location; CAP88-PC was used for doses at all other distances from the building. Doses to members of the public nearest each building were compared, and the location where the dose was greatest was determined to be the Laboratory MEI.

Dose from emissions from individual Laboratory buildings was calculated and summed for the entire facility. As identified in [Figures 1-2](#) and [1-3](#), Buildings 1, 977 (the Berkeley West Biocenter), and 978 (the Joint BioEnergy Institute) are located outside of Berkeley Lab's main perimeter and could be considered separate facilities since they are not on one contiguous site. However, Building 1 is located on the adjacent UC Berkeley campus and is within walking distance of the main Berkeley Lab site. Buildings 977 and 978 are located about 3 mi (5 km) southwest of the main Laboratory site. Annual radioactive air emissions from these off-site buildings and the associated dose to each nearest member of the public are much less than the highest building emissions and doses at the main Berkeley Lab site, and it would be inappropriate and misleading to model and report these much lower doses in separate reports. Therefore, for reporting and dose-modeling purposes, all off-site buildings are considered along with buildings on the Berkeley Lab site and all contribute to the potential dose received by the Laboratory MEI.

3.2 Input Parameters

Input parameters to CAP88-PC include the emissions discussed in Section 2, and building-specific and common parameters, discussed below. To estimate dose, CAP88-PC, Version 3, provides a library of 825 radionuclides, which includes data for all of the radionuclides listed in [Table 2-3](#) except ^{248}Cm . For this radionuclide, Version 2.1.1 of CAP88-PC was used. (Note that the dose from ^{248}Cm to the sitewide MEI is very low—about 0.03% of the total dose from all radionuclides.)

In addition, when calculating dose from particulate alpha- and beta-emitting radionuclides, Berkeley Lab assigns gross alpha and gross beta measurements to the high-hazard alpha-emitting radionuclide, ^{232}Th , and the high-hazard beta-emitting radionuclide, ^{90}Sr , respectively. The use of the high-hazard radionuclides ^{232}Th and ^{90}Sr to represent alpha and beta emissions provides an upper-bound estimate of the dose.

3.2.1 Building-Specific Parameters

For dose assessment, some Berkeley Lab buildings can be combined because they are near each other and similar operations are performed there (DOE 1994). For combined buildings and buildings with many unsampled stacks, average stack height and conservative stack diameter (0.1 m), exit velocity (0 m/s), and receptor distance (from nearest edge of building) values are typically used (Table 3-1). These values overestimate the impact of air emissions on a nearby person and are chosen to ensure that stack emissions are not underestimated.

For Buildings 56 and 85, where radionuclide use can be correlated to specific stacks (such as glovebox or fumehood stacks), the actual stack diameter and exit velocity were used and modeled separately. The input parameters that vary with building are shown in Table 3-1.

For Buildings 50A and 77A, authorized radionuclides were in the form of activated components, which are fixed and not readily dispersed into the air. For Building 51, radionuclides were authorized for storage only. Because airborne radionuclides were unlikely to be released from these three buildings, no releases were modeled.

Table 3-1 Building-Specific Input Parameters

Building Number	Stack Height (m) ^a	Stack Diameter (m)	Exit Velocity (m/s)	Nearest Member of Public	MEI Location	Farm Location ^b
1	18	0.1	0	10 m ESE	990 m ENE	4200 m N
6	9	0.1	0	350 m NNE	370 m NNE	3200 m N
26	8	0.1	0	250 m N	250 m N	3200 m N
55/56						
Accelerator stack	16	0.3	3.53	250 m NNW	460 m E	3200 m N
Glovebox stack	16	0.46	2.04	250 m NNW	460 m E	3200 m N
General stacks	12	0.1	0	250 m NNW	460 m E	3200 m N
70/70A	16	0.1	0	270 m WSW	530 m ENE	3200 m N
71	13	0.1	0	190 m NNW	310 m ESE	3200 m N
72	3	0.1	0	230 m SSW	500 m NW	3200 m N
74/83/84	7	0.1	0	160 m SSE	690 m WNW	3200 m N
75	7.4	0.35	7.0	110 m NW	110 m NW	3200 m N
85						
Glovebox stack	16	0.23	7.24	210 m SSE	570 m WNW	3200 m N
Fumehood stack	16	0.46	5.09	210 m SSE	570 m WNW	3200 m N
General stacks	16	0.1	0	210 m SSE	570 m WNW	3200 m N
88	13	0.1	0	110 m W	690 m ENE	3200 m N
977	16	0.1	0	30 m N	5000 m N	8200 m N
978	28	0.26	0	19 m E	5700 m NE	8200 m N

^a 1 m = 3.281 ft

^b Approximate distance to Wildcat Canyon Regional Preserve where cattle graze

3.2.2 Common Parameters

The input parameters that are common among Berkeley Lab sources include meteorological data and agricultural data. Meteorological data were compiled from on-site data for 2009. Berkeley Lab collects this data from a 66-ft (20-m) tower located in the central portion of the Laboratory. Site-specific values for annual precipitation (29.7 in. [75.4 cm]), average ambient temperature (55.8°F [13.2°C]), and average absolute humidity (7.71 g/m³) were used. The default value for lid (mixing) height, 3300 ft (1000 m), was chosen. The 2009 wind data are provided in [Appendix A](#).

Agricultural data were obtained from the California Department of Food and Agriculture and the urban scenario was chosen ([Wahl 2004](#)). The values include the following.

- Vegetables, fraction home-produced: 0.076
- Vegetables, fraction from assessment area: 0.924
- Milk, fraction from assessment area: 1
- Meat, fraction home-produced: 0.008
- Meat, fraction from assessment area: 0.992
- Beef cattle density: 1.9 per km²
- Milk cattle density: 4.0 per km²
- Land fraction cultivated for vegetable crops: 4.6%

3.3 Compliance Assessment

3.3.1 MEI Dose and Location

Doses from Berkeley Lab's airborne emissions are well below the 10 mrem/yr (0.1 mSv/yr) NESHAP dose standard. As shown in [Table 3-2](#), the sum of calculated doses from all sources at Berkeley Lab in 2009 is 7.0×10^{-3} mrem/yr (7.0×10^{-5} mSv/yr) to the MEI. The location of this hypothetical person is the UC Lawrence Hall of Science, about 1500 ft (460 m) east of Buildings 55 and 56.

Although no one actually lives at the Hall of Science, the EPA-approved software calculates the dose assuming a person resides there 24 hours a day for the entire year, eats meat and vegetables grown at the Hall of Science or nearby (see the agricultural parameters in [Section 3.2.2](#)), and drinks water from local wells contaminated with deposited airborne radionuclides. Thus the calculated dose to this hypothetical person, the MEI, is greater than the dose to an actual member of the public visiting the Hall of Science.

Table 3-2 Dose Assessment Results

Building	Primary Radionuclides Contributing to MEI Dose ^a	Dose to MEI (mrem/yr) ^b	Percent of Total Dose (%)
1	P-32, U-238	5.4E-7	< 0.1
6	N-13	4.9E-7	< 0.1
26	Am-241, Pu-238	2.0E-6	< 0.1
55/56	F-18, Tc-99m	6.4E-3	90.5
70/70A	Cf-250, Pu-238, Pu-242	6.2E-4	8.7
71	N-13, Cl-39	7.1E-8	< 0.1
72	Ge-71, U-238	1.5E-6	< 0.1
74/83/84	P-32	8.3E-6	0.1
75	H-3	1.9E-5	0.3
85	Alpha, U-235	3.3E-6	< 0.1
88	Alpha, C-11	8.1E-6	0.1
977	P-32	6.6E-7	< 0.1
978	P-32	6.2E-9	< 0.1
Total		7.0E-3	100

^a Radionuclides that contribute more than 10% of the potential dose to the MEI from this source

^b Dose from all radionuclides emitted; 1 mrem = 0.01 mSv

In 2009, the Berkeley Lab Guest House opened its doors to guests who have business with Berkeley Lab or UC Berkeley. Because the Guest House is not a residence for the general public but a temporary accommodation for transient Berkeley Lab guests, it was determined that the Guest House is not an appropriate location for determining dose to MEI. EPA concurred with this determination, which is documented in [Appendix B](#).

Fluorine-18 emitted from Building 56 stacks accounts for about 80% of the dose to the Berkeley Lab MEI. Another 10% of the dose is due to ^{99m}Tc used in Building 55 laboratories.

Annual ¹⁸F emissions from Building 56 stacks are believed to be overestimated because false-positive results occur when ¹⁸F adsorbs onto the real-time detectors. These false positive measurements are included in the calculation of annual ¹⁸F emissions. As a result, the calculated dose represents an upper-bound estimate of dose from ¹⁸F.

The CAP88-PC code was validated by performing a sample assessment. The output of the sample assessment was compared to output provided in the CAP88-PC users' guide ([EPA 2007](#)). The two outputs are identical, indicating that the code performed as intended.

3.3.2 Certification

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted herein, and based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment (see 18 U.S.C. 1001).

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4.0

Additional Information

4.1 Additions or Modifications

There was no facility construction or modification (fabrication, erection, or installation) in 2009 relevant to the NESHAP regulation. Other changes in work authorized noted in this report include

- termination of radionuclide use in the Building 76 radioanalytical laboratory,
- continued storage of depleted uranium in Building 51 (the old Bevatron),
- continued operation of laser wakefield accelerators for the LOASIS Project in Building 71,
- testing of activated components in Building 77A, and
- life sciences research in Building 83.

4.2 Unplanned Releases

There were no unplanned releases in 2009 from the Berkeley Lab site.

4.3 Diffuse Emissions

Berkeley Lab had one source of diffuse emissions in 2009 resulting from construction activities near Building 75, the site of the former National Tritium Labeling Facility. The soil at this site has historically contained low levels of tritium. In 2009, dirt from a trench dug near Building 75 was stored outside. After storage, the dirt was sampled and no tritium was measured. The dirt was reused on the Berkeley Lab site. Potential emissions from soil storage were estimated using methods described in the EPA document, *Methods for Estimating Fugitive Air Emissions of Radionuclides from Diffuse Sources at DOE Facilities* ([EPA 2004](#)). The calculated dose from this diffuse source was very low, 1.9×10^{-5} mrem/y, which is less than 0.3% of the total dose to the Laboratory MEI.

5.0

Supplemental Information

5.1 Collective Dose Estimate

Collective population dose is calculated as the average radiation dose to a person in a specified area, multiplied by the number of people in that area. In accordance with DOE and EPA guidance documents, all radionuclides potentially emitted in 2009 (shown in [Table 2-3](#)) were assumed to be released from a hypothetical, centrally located stack that is 52 ft (16 m) high, is 1 ft (0.3 m) in diameter, and has an exit velocity of 13.5 ft/s (4.1 m/s) ([Wahl 2003](#)). The total population within 50 mi (80 km) of the Laboratory is approximately 6,615,000 based on the LandScan Global Population Database ([Dobson and Bright 2002](#); [Gallegos 2002](#)). The population file is provided in [Appendix C](#). The estimated collective dose to persons living within 50 mi (80 km) of Berkeley Lab is 1.5×10^{-1} person-rem (1.5×10^{-3} person-Sv) attributable to Berkeley Lab airborne emissions in 2009.

5.2 40 CFR 61 Subparts Q and T

Subparts Q and T of 40 CFR 61 are not applicable to Berkeley Lab, as the Laboratory does not operate a storage and disposal facility for radium-containing material or uranium mill tailings.

5.3 Radon Emissions

The Laboratory does not process, manage, or possess ^{232}U or ^{232}Th in quantities that could produce an impact of 0.1 mrem/yr (0.001 mSv/yr) or 10% of the nonradon dose to the public from ^{220}Rn . The Laboratory does not maintain nondisposal or nonstorage sources of ^{222}Rn emissions in quantities that could produce an impact of 0.1 mrem/yr (0.001 mSv/yr) or 10% of the nonradon dose to the public.

5.4 Facility Compliance

In 2009, no release points produced emissions exceeding 0.1 mrem/yr (0.001 mSv/yr) and no sources were subject to continuous monitoring requirements. Periodic confirmatory measurements were conducted in accordance with the EPA-approved measurement approach ([Table 2-1](#)).

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Appendix A

Meteorological Data

Wind Direction	Stability Category	2009 Average Wind Frequency at Given Speed					
		1-3 knots	4-6 knots	7-10 knots	11-16 knots	17- 21 knots	> 21 knots
N	A	0.00103	0.00046	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNE	A	0.00046	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NE	A	0.00069	0.00103	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
ENE	A	0.00183	0.00137	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
E	A	0.00126	0.00331	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
ESE	A	0.00137	0.00263	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SE	A	0.00228	0.00046	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSE	A	0.00171	0.00228	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
S	A	0.00354	0.00331	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSW	A	0.00411	0.00171	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SW	A	0.00445	0.00160	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WSW	A	0.00582	0.00091	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
W	A	0.00640	0.00091	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WNW	A	0.00274	0.00046	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NW	A	0.00217	0.00126	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNW	A	0.00183	0.00103	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	B	0.00023	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNE	B	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NE	B	0.00011	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
ENE	B	0.00023	0.00103	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000

Wind Direction	Stability Category	2009 Average Wind Frequency at Given Speed					
		1-3 knots	4-6 knots	7-10 knots	11-16 knots	17- 21 knots	> 21 knots
E	B	0.00011	0.00114	0.00206	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
ESE	B	0.00080	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SE	B	0.00228	0.00171	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSE	B	0.00697	0.00902	0.00103	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
S	B	0.00571	0.00891	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSW	B	0.00617	0.00514	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SW	B	0.00708	0.00959	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WSW	B	0.00708	0.01074	0.00103	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
W	B	0.00788	0.00400	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WNW	B	0.00308	0.00103	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NW	B	0.00069	0.00171	0.00091	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNW	B	0.00023	0.00080	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	C	0.00011	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNE	C	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NE	C	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
ENE	C	0.00034	0.00023	0.00069	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000
E	C	0.00000	0.00057	0.00206	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000
ESE	C	0.00080	0.00148	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SE	C	0.00457	0.00697	0.00240	0.00057	0.00000	0.00000
SSE	C	0.00468	0.00103	0.00069	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000
S	C	0.00320	0.00160	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSW	C	0.00137	0.00034	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SW	C	0.00297	0.00183	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WSW	C	0.01005	0.02284	0.01085	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000

Wind Direction	Stability Category	2009 Average Wind Frequency at Given Speed					
		1-3 knots	4-6 knots	7-10 knots	11-16 knots	17- 21 knots	> 21 knots
W	C	0.02775	0.03346	0.01051	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000
WNW	C	0.01485	0.01416	0.00240	0.00091	0.00000	0.00000
NW	C	0.00114	0.00308	0.00251	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000
NNW	C	0.00011	0.00080	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	D	0.00057	0.00263	0.00263	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNE	D	0.00023	0.00011	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NE	D	0.00034	0.00011	0.00000	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000
ENE	D	0.00126	0.00126	0.00468	0.00228	0.00080	0.00000
E	D	0.00400	0.00160	0.00685	0.00354	0.00046	0.00000
ESE	D	0.01176	0.01473	0.00777	0.00171	0.00023	0.00000
SE	D	0.00560	0.00948	0.00925	0.00605	0.00103	0.00000
SSE	D	0.00160	0.00011	0.00080	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000
S	D	0.00126	0.00000	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSW	D	0.00034	0.00000	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SW	D	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WSW	D	0.00137	0.00137	0.00160	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
W	D	0.00537	0.01096	0.00445	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WNW	D	0.00971	0.01919	0.00914	0.00217	0.00011	0.00000
NW	D	0.00720	0.01131	0.00617	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000
NNW	D	0.00354	0.01062	0.00822	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	E	0.00126	0.00228	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNE	E	0.00137	0.00034	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NE	E	0.00046	0.00011	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
ENE	E	0.00114	0.00091	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
E	E	0.00628	0.00171	0.00057	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000

Wind Direction	Stability Category	2009 Average Wind Frequency at Given Speed					
		1-3 knots	4-6 knots	7-10 knots	11-16 knots	17- 21 knots	> 21 knots
ESE	E	0.00914	0.00582	0.00057	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SE	E	0.00994	0.00640	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSE	E	0.00228	0.00023	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
S	E	0.00011	0.00000	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSW	E	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SW	E	0.00046	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WSW	E	0.00091	0.00571	0.00046	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
W	E	0.00160	0.00662	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WNW	E	0.00617	0.00468	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NW	E	0.00788	0.00525	0.00046	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNW	E	0.00263	0.00754	0.00251	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	F	0.00845	0.00434	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNE	F	0.00605	0.00114	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NE	F	0.00537	0.00171	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
ENE	F	0.01005	0.00331	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
E	F	0.01508	0.00685	0.00046	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
ESE	F	0.02044	0.00354	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SE	F	0.02855	0.00879	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSE	F	0.02296	0.01508	0.00034	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
S	F	0.01473	0.00799	0.00046	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SSW	F	0.01142	0.00297	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
SW	F	0.01325	0.00388	0.00011	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WSW	F	0.01016	0.01074	0.00023	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
W	F	0.01233	0.00206	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
WNW	F	0.01565	0.00091	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000

Wind Direction	Stability Category	2009 Average Wind Frequency at Given Speed					
		1-3 knots	4-6 knots	7-10 knots	11-16 knots	17- 21 knots	> 21 knots
NW	F	0.01622	0.00274	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
NNW	F	0.01131	0.00308	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000

Appendix B

Berkeley Lab Guest House

Subject: Re: Request for Concurrence with LBNL Guest House Assessment
From: Rosenblum.Shelly@epamail.epa.gov
Date: Fri, 09 Oct 2009 09:12:19 -0700
To: Linnea Wahl <LEWahl@lbl.gov>
CC: Ron Pauer <ROPauer@lbl.gov>, "Abbott, Kim"
<Kim.Abbott@bso.science.doe.gov>

Dear Ms. Wahl:

I concur with your analysis below. The guest house described, is not an appropriate location for a CAP88 dose determination under 40CFR Part 61 Subpart H. Please continue to use locations as described in previous reports.

Since I will be out of the office until the end of next week, I would appreciate your printing this message and mailing it to me so that I'll remember to place it in my files.

Thank you for checking with me.

Sincerely,

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To: Shelly Rosenblum/R9/USEPA/US@EPA
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Subject: Request for Concurrence with LBNL Guest House Assessment

Dear Shelly,

The purpose of this memo is to request your concurrence with our assessment that the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) Guest House is not an appropriate location for determining the "highest effective dose equivalent to any member of the public at any offsite point where there is a residence, school, business, or office" from airborne radionuclide emissions (as stated in 40CFR61.94(a)).

In October 2009, the Berkeley Lab Guest House opened on the LBNL site. The Guest House is a University of California facility that provides temporary accommodations to visitors affiliated with LBNL, University of California, and the Department of Energy (DOE).

The Guest House is not a residence. It is operated on a hotel model, with the intent that visitors will be transient guests of LBNL (casual visitors, guests' family members, interviewees, invited guests, and participating guests, as defined in the LBNL Regulations and Procedures Manual). Visitors may also be University of California scholars, visiting professors, official guests of the Berkeley campus, and conference attendees. The management and operation of the Guest House are detailed in a memorandum of agreement between the University of California Berkeley campus and the University of California Office of the President.

As temporary accommodations for visitors to the LBNL site, the Guest House is not a permanent dwelling. Doses to short-term Guest House visitors from airborne radionuclides would not be accurate if they are calculated using EPA-approved models (such as CAP88-PC, which is based on chronic, year-long exposure parameters). As noted in the CAP88-PC user manual, the model cannot be used for short-term exposures to airborne radionuclides, such as those experienced by LBNL guests.

Furthermore, the Berkeley Lab Guest House is not an appropriate location for the maximally exposed member of the public because it is not open to the general public. In accordance with a 2001 EPA memorandum, a private facility on a DOE site would be an appropriate location for dose assessment if the general public has unrestricted access (i.e., do not wear DOE security badges and do not pass through a DOE security checkpoint). This is not the situation at LBNL, where guests must adhere to DOE site access controls.

Guest House visitors are defined as LBNL guests and must have an LBNL host to come onto the site. Guests either have a DOE identification badge or are registered with the LBNL Site Access Office. They must access the LBNL site through designated gates, and the guards at the gates have a list with the names of approved visitors. The LBNL guards follow standard LBNL procedures for allowing Guest House visitors to come onsite, which includes screening visitors for citizenship and country of birth. Staff at the Guest House have DOE badges and follow the same access procedures as other LBNL and DOE employees.

Based on this assessment, the LBNL Guest House should not be considered a residence and its visitors should not be considered members of the public for compliance with the requirements of 40 CFR 61. The LBNL Guest House is thus not an appropriate location for determining dose to the public from airborne radionuclide emissions.

We request your concurrence with this assessment. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Linnea Wahl, CHP

Appendix C

Population Data

Direction	Population at Given Distance from Center from Berkeley Lab												
	0.5 km	1 km	2 km	3 km	4 km	5 km	10 km	20 km	30 km	40 km	50 km	60 km	80 km
N	0	0	419	0	0	0	359	30398	98105	32491	68070	24776	1797
NNW	0	0	808	2443	2430	2793	2484	52319	0	993	11808	26337	116202
NW	0	2291	1278	1627	3649	3453	36003	78123	1753	43472	15539	61782	148052
WNW	0	0	3813	6632	7002	7163	22596	15684	91680	35109	2452	2444	987
W	0	0	0	6789	6941	3885	14	6636	45790	1780	588	0	0
WSW	0	0	4181	2416	7039	2982	24	158141	158570	0	0	0	0
SW	0	4530	4402	2967	7448	8834	5707	123614	429877	77558	8	0	0
SSW	0	0	3345	1553	8699	5591	51318	12682	26539	143163	20902	1540	218
S	0	0	2912	2404	6515	2818	107157	64082	0	120732	209651	39481	6338
SSE	0	1270	1096	716	3089	3224	41486	188837	171923	161075	158439	272632	1153570
SE	0	0	0	1122	796	1867	11308	12453	74898	49162	77674	9220	45859
ESE	0	0	51	189	0	0	4648	11966	64845	64822	69656	8301	38140
E	0	0	0	19	130	37	8755	61557	15866	2791	21010	12024	42996
ENE	0	0	40	2	98	1982	6467	76620	121897	96518	87328	10455	12356
NE	0	0	0	0	22	17	908	46933	19832	6565	727	1675	1447
NNE	346	0	0	0	0	6	19	5603	28838	7625	99040	93357	42715