

EHS Team:

We have had a busy week working on our Optimization Plan. We have some more progress to report, and I want to be sure you are all aware of new opportunities. Today I am announcing that we are posting a job description for the Security & Emergency Services Manager (SES) group leader. The successful candidate will report to Doug Fleming, Division Director for EHS Operations. While we did not quite make it in time for this e-mail, the posting will be up on the LBNL career site by Monday of next week.

The position of Security Program manager has been vacant for some time. Because that person will eventually report to the new SES group leader, we decided to withdraw the posting for the manager's position until the group leader position is filled.

We have also posted a description for a position in Waste Management Certification. You can link to that posting [here](#).

Meanwhile, we have made our choice for the position of construction safety engineer. I am pleased to announce that Don Lendahl, who has been a consultant to LBNL, has accepted this staff position.

I want to remind everyone that, to receive full consideration, November 29 is the application deadline for candidates for the two new Department Head positions we announced earlier. Both will be reporting to Jack Salazar, Deputy Division Director for Technical Program Management. The link for the job description of Department Head for Environment, Waste, and Radiation Protection is [here](#). The link for Department Head, Employee Health & Safety is [here](#).

Speaking of safety, after discussions on Lab Safety Culture at the most recent Directorate meeting, it was decided that instead of reviewing accidents after-the-fact, the Directorate wants to highlight best practices in each of the Divisions. In that regard, EHS is particularly well-suited to play a leading role, and I welcome your help in identifying which Divisions and which best practices here we should showcase.

I've written quite a bit in these emails about our baseline customer service survey. The results of that survey are now ready. I am glad to report that most of our customers are happy with our service, but as you would expect there is room for improvement. We will be discussing that further as we dig into the results. In the meantime, you can contact Patrick Thorson at ext. 5852 for a .pdf copy of the survey results.

You may have noticed that Jim Krupnick has now sent out a Lab-wide version of this survey. They have requested — and this is very important — that EHS staff NOT participate in that external survey so as not to misrepresent or skew our customers feedback.

Finally, I would like to use this weekly communication to recognize the good work EHS is doing. Paul Alivisatos has recently approved two level III (lab-wide) safety policies, one regarding Working Alone, the other regarding the color of Radiological Controlled Area signs.

These involved a great deal of work by Bill Wells, David Kestell, the Safety Advisory Committee, the Radiation Safety Committee, and a number of others across EHS to numerous to list, so congratulations to all on a job well done. Also, please join me in congratulating Rob Connelly for successfully passing the Certified Safety Professional (CSP) examination. Well done, Rob!

I hope these Friday e-mails are informative. As always, your feedback is welcome. Please tell us what you think.

Because next week is a short one, we won't be putting out another Friday Update until a week from next Friday.

Happy Thanksgiving to all.

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