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Division of Labor
Office of Occupational Safety and Health
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

OSH Program Directive Number 75-1910.213-3 (AMENDED)

Subject: Radial Saw Guards-Saw Mill Operations.

Standard: Article VI, Section 1910.213 (h) (1), Rules and Regulations,
Commissioner of Labor, State of South Carolina.

**Cross Reference to
Federal Standards:** 29 CFR 1910.213 (h) (1).

Background: To provide specific clarification on the application of Article VI,
Section 1910.213 (h) (1), radial saw guards to the saw mill
industries.

Questions have arisen relating to the application of Section
1910.213 (h) (1) to saw mill operations. The scope of ANSI 01.1-
1975, indicates that the standard should not be applicable to saw
mill industries. Representatives of the ANSI Committee were
contacted and it was determined that the standard was never
intended to cover saw mill industries.

Interpretation: The Federal OSHA Office of Standards Development is currently
promulgating a change in the scope of Federal Standard 29 CFR
1910.213 that will remove saw mill operations.

Pending final promulgation of the standard, an alleged violation for
failure to provide a lower guard on radial saws shall be cited as de
minimis.

Effective Date: This instruction is effective upon receipt and will remain in effect
until cancelled or superseded by amendment to the regulation or
program directive.

William M. Lybrand, Director
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