

**July 9, 2002**

**To: Dan Halpin, Purdue University**

**From: Grace LeMasters, Ph.D.**

**cc: Amit Bhattacharya, Ph.D., Laverne Mayfield**

**Re: Quarterly Report**

Per your recent request, I am forwarding the information regarding the quarterly report including the following components.

1. Principal Investigator: Grace LeMasters, Ph.D.
2. Researchers on the Project: Amit Bhattacharya, Ph.D., Laverne Mayfield
3. Progress on the objectives April - June 2002:

Since the culmination of four focus groups, the University of Cincinnati and the Greater Cincinnati Occupational Health Center have assisted three unions in distributing the surveys to their retired membership. The first group that received surveys was the American Federation of Teachers. This union mailed out 250 surveys and has returned 127. On May 2, 2002 the Laborers International Union mailed out 250 surveys. The Communication Workers of America were chosen for their large membership of retired clerical workers. However shortly after committing to participate in these project their local's contract negotiations failed and are currently on strike. We have monitored this crisis and have been informed that we can expect them to begin survey distribution in approximately two weeks. This project has provided the labor movement with a better insight on how to use its valuable resource of retired union members. Ms. Mayfield has reported information obtained from the focus groups to the labor council and to their unions. These retired workers are ready and willing to help in making safer work environments and improving the quality of lives for workers.

4. Summary of activities for the Quarter:

During the Quarter April-June 2002, a total of 550 surveys were sent to retired membership. Below is a summary that indicates the three groups that were sent surveys, the date sent, the number sent and received as of July 9, 2002.

<u>Group</u>	<u>Date Sent</u>	<u>#Sent</u>	<u>#Received</u>
IBEW	5/1/2002	50	16
Teachers	5/2/2002	250	127
Laborers	5/13/2002	250	60
Communications	currently on strike		

5. Work planned for the next Quarter:

We will continue to track surveys and will begin the analysis for those groups that have received surveys. We will also try to work with the Communications Union workers so that we will be able get the surveys to them for completion and to input their statistics for this study.