Attachment L Non-Respondent Follow-Up Interview

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Hello,

This is **<name of research coordinator**> calling from the University of Texas: School of Public Health about Project BLISS – a project to help Ohio wholesale and retail trade companies to reduce workers' compensation losses. Your company chose not to participate.

We need your help to better understand why Ohio wholesale and retail companies choose not to participate. Using a short 3-minute interview to compare firm size, sector, and other demographic information we are determining whether there are differences between companies who participated and didn't.

We expect project results to help guide companies in adopting best practices for managing occupational safety and health and improving workers compensation outcomes. We are hoping your company will be part of this effort.

Do you agree to participate in this 3-minute interview?

IF NO

That's ok, I appreciate you taking the time to speak to me.

IF YES THEN PROCEED TO NEXT PAGE

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Verbal Consent:

READ TO RESPONDENT

We would like to invite you to participate in a project being conducted by the University of Texas School of Public Health (UTSPH). The project is sponsored by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (OBWC).

The project's purpose is to identify safety and health practices that reduce workers' compensation claims and costs for Ohio wholesale and retail trade companies. Identifying safety and health practices associated with reduced claims and costs allows employers to better manage safety and health for improved outcomes. If you agree to participate:

- You will be asked to complete a <u>3 minute interview</u> about you and your company's demographic information
- Individual interviews will not be shared with OBWC.
- There is little anticipated risk to you from completing the interview. <u>Your name and your</u> <u>company's name will not be disclosed in any UTSPH, NIOSH or OBWC reports.</u> Data will be treated in a secure manner and will be protected to the extent provided by law.

Your participation is voluntary and you may withdraw at any time without consequence to you or your company.

The new information gained is expected to improve our understanding of the safety and health practices that best prevent injuries and illnesses. There are no immediate direct benefits to you personally from participating.

If you have questions about this study, contact David Gimeno at the University of Texas School of Public Health (UTSPH). If you have questions about your rights as a member of this study, contact UT Compliance Hotline at 1-888-472-9868, <u>www.uthouston.edu/compliance/reporting-issues/hotline.htm</u>, or NIOSH at 513-533-8222, cin-hsrb@cdc.gov.

If you agree to participate we will proceed with the 3 minute interview

Principle Investigator Contact Information:

David Gimeno, Ph.D. UTSPH 7411 John Smith Drive, Suite 1120 San Antonio, TX 78229 210-562-5500 David.Gimeno@uth.tmc.edu First I would like to get some information about your job and organization.
1. What is your job title?

2. Please describe your main job duties and tasks: _____

3. Are you the key person responsible for safety & health at your organization?

- □ Yes
- \Box No
- Other (please specify)

4. Approximately how many employees are employed at your firm?

< 20 employees
20-99 employees
100-999 employees
1000 employees
5. Is your organization unionized?
Yes
No

□Other (please specify)

□Don't know

6. Could you please tell us why you chose not to participate in the "Best Practice Safety & Health Project" during the survey period?

It is of no value to the organization
It requires too much of my time
We have a policy in place to never participate in research
Leadership would say "No"
Other reason (please specify)

7. How could we encourage you to participate in future surveys?

Finally, I would like to quickly get some background information about you.

8. Are you...

□Male □Female

9. What is your birthdate? ____/ ____ MONTH YEAR

Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions.