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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 20, 2003

TO: Deans, Department Heads, and Directors

FROM: Brooks A. Keel, Associate Vice President
Office of the Vice President for Research 

SUBJECT: Eating and Drinking in Rooms and Laboratories

Effective January 1, 2004, the policy for food and drink in rooms and laboratories that contain chemicals, radioactive materials, biohazardous materials or other potentially hazardous materials, will be modified as follows:

Do not eat, drink, store food or beverages, use tobacco products (smoke, chew, dip), chew gum, or apply cosmetics in rooms where chemicals, radioactive materials, biohazardous materials or other potentially hazardous materials are present without prior approval from Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S).

In rooms where minimal quantities of low potential toxicity chemicals or materials are stored or used, prior approval for designated food and drink consumption areas must be received and posted. Contact EH&S for approval.

This policy change reflects the commitment of the University to achieving the highest levels of safety and regulatory compliance. I would appreciate you making this policy known to all applicable faculty, staff, and students. If you have any questions or require further clarification, feel free to contact EH&S at 644-8800. Thank you very much.

cc: Provost
Vice Presidents
EH&S