The Industrial Injuries Advisory Council (IIAC) provides advice to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions in Great Britain and the Department for Social Development in Northern Ireland about the Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit (IIDB) Scheme – the scheme by which employed earners in the UK receive state compensation for industrial accidents or certain scheduled occupational diseases (prescribed diseases).

The Industrial Injuries Advisory Council (IIAC) is considering PD A10 (occupational hearing loss) and is seeking evidence about occupational exposure from work in the plastic blow mould extrusion industry. Blow mould extrusion is a manufacturing process whereby molten plastic is extruded, blown into a mould and cooled to produce a variety of hollow plastic objects.

The type of evidence the Council is seeking is noise exposure data (hygiene data), ideally averaged over an 8hr working day in relation to particular jobs or working practices (sound level meter dB(A) Leq measurements, exposure duration and 8hr equivalent noise exposures, Lepd, or directly obtained from personal dosimeters).

Any organisation or individual with scientific evidence of exposure levels from work involving plastic blow mould extrusion is invited to submit it to the Council at the address below no later than 12th October 2013.

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