



September 7, 2022

Mr. Mark Baker
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Dear Mr. Baker:

Thank you for your recent petition to OSHA for rulemaking on electromagnetic radiation from Light Emitting Diode (LED) devices in the workplace.

We appreciate your interest in occupational safety and health and your concern about protecting workers from hazards posed by LED devices. We have carefully reviewed your petition and supporting information you provided on light emissions from LED devices.

This topic is not currently on OSHA's regulatory agenda, available at <https://www.osha.gov/laws-regs/unifiedagenda/currentagenda>.

OSHA is pursuing a number of other rulemaking initiatives that will have a significant impact on worker safety, including rulemakings to address heat injury and illness, workplace violence, and occupational exposure to COVID-19, among others. Given these important rulemaking priorities and OSHA's limited resources, OSHA does not plan to add this topic to OSHA's regulatory agenda at this time.

However, OSHA's Directorate of Standards and Guidance (DSG) will review the scientific literature and determine if there are other appropriate approaches to address electromagnetic radiation from LED devices in the workplace. DSG staff will also continue to stay apprised of this topic and any new scientific developments on hazards posed by LED devices in the workplace.

Your letter also identifies concerns regarding the effect of LED devices on people with disabilities, including their effect on access to public services. You suggest that the use of these devices may violate the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). We note that several other agencies are responsible for enforcing the various provisions of the ADA. A list of these agencies and their enforcement areas is available at <https://www.dol.gov/general/topic/disability/ada>. We encourage you to contact these agencies to share your concerns.

Thank you again for contacting OSHA and for your interest in occupational safety and health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas L. Parker".

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