IMPORTANT NOTICE:

In an effort to continue to provide superior service to the research community at UAB, the Department of Occupational Health and Safety would like to make you aware of a notice that is being distributed to users and owners of biosafety cabinets (BSCs).

Over the past few weeks some biosafety cabinet (BSC) manufacturers sent owners and operators of their equipment a certification requirement notice. This notice mentions BSCs where the exhaust is ducted to the outside. The notice goes on to read that those units will not be able to be certified.

The applicability of the new rule applies only to those units designated as an A/B3 or A2 configuration and exhausted to the outside where no air flow monitoring device is installed or a unit that is “hard ducted” ie. there is a seal between the top of the BSC and the transition to the exhaust duct.

If you have a unit that you feel falls under this rule please notify OH&S at 934-2487 and ask for Kyle Boyett, Brian Campbell, or Stuart Crossfield. We will be more than happy to visit your lab to determine if your BSC will be affected.