

To: Regional Vice Presidents/Directors

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Subj: Bureau of National Affairs (BNA): Workplace Smoking

Attached are two reports from BNA: a survey of smoking in the workplace and a special report, "Where There's Smoke: Problems & Policies Concerning Smoking in the Workplace."

There is little doubt that these documents will receive significant play at state and local smoking restriction hearings. It would, therefore, be wise for you to familiarize yourselves with the contents. If after studying these papers you feel some or all of your lobbyists should have a copy, please let us know.

The survey is a detailed one. Of the organizations responding, 36-percent claimed to have a smoking policy, 21-percent had one under review, 2-percent said policies would be adopted this year, and 41-percent said they had no policy in place or under review.

The BNA special report is basically a "pro"/"con" document, listing tobacco industry views along side those of "experts" and anti-smokers. You should find the Highlights (p.1), union (p.25) and legal (p.31) sections of particular interest. There is also a "case study" section which outlines policies of a number of organizations. Procter & Gamble appears to have the most "reasonable" policy. Pages 5-8 are also interesting in their review of "health" and cost debates.

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If you have questions about these reports, please contact Walter Woodson.

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