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The Arbitrator found that the Agency violated the parties' collective-bargaining agreement by failing to pay the grievants environmental-differential pay due to their exposure to a high-degree hazard consisting of micro-organisms. The Authority denied the Agency's exceptions contending that the award was contrary to law and government-wide regulations because the Agency failed to establish that the award was inconsistent with either the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended, or the Office of Personnel Management's regulations about environmental-differential pay for exposure to a high-degree hazard consisting of micro-organisms.

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