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Ms. Cynthia Oshita

Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment

Hello Ms. Oshita:

Please add fluoride and its salts, and tris (1,3-dichloro-2-propyl) phosphate to the prop 65 list of toxic chemicals. Why?

1) Fluoride is a cumulative poison and potentially tumorigenic if swallowed. On average, only 50% of the fluoride we ingest each day is excreted through the kidneys. The remainder accumulates in our bones, pineal gland, and other tissues. And, if the kidney is damaged, fluoride accumulation in the body increases even more.

2) Yet fluoride is now added to California's drinking water. Californians now drink it, bathe with it, water their edible plants and livestock with it, play in it, brush their teeth with it (both in toothpaste and now in the water we use for rinse), have it applied topically at their dentist's office during dental exams, etc...

3) The FDA has never approved any fluoride product for ingestion, and it is considered by the FDA to be an "unapproved drug". No clinical trial has ever been conducted and submitted to the FDA to demonstrate the effectiveness of ingesting fluoride. We have not measured how much fluoride we consume nor how much consumption of it is safe.

4) As for its benefits? The Center for Disease Control acknowledges that the main benefit of fluoride is topical application. Therefore, if it does any good at all, it only happens as it splashes across our teeth on its way to our stomachs.

Thank you for your consideration.

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