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Michelle Ramirez
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RE: Availability of Hazard Identification Materials for n-Hexane

Dear Ms. Ramirez:

The American Chemistry Council's Hydrocarbon Solvents Panel (the Panel) appreciates this opportunity to provide comments to the California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) request for hazard identification materials for n-Hexane.

The Panel recommends OEHHA review McKee et al, 2015, pp 295-297¹ for a concise review of the toxicological effects and mechanism of action of n-Hexane, as well as the thorough review under the EPA's 2005 IRIS assessment².

The Panel requests at this stage that if the Development and Reproductive Toxicant Identification Committee (DARTIC) of OEHHA's Science Advisory Board determines listing is necessary based on the developmental, male and female reproductive toxicity endpoints, that OEHHA considers simultaneously developing a Maximum Allowable Daily Limit (MADL). A MADL would help provide clarity on the possible impacts of listing for manufacturers and formulators of products which may contain trace amounts of n-Hexane.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jonathon T. Busch".

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¹ RH McKee et al, Crit Rev Toxicol, 2015; 45(4): 273–365

² https://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/iris/iris_documents/documents/toxreviews/0486tr.pdf

