CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT

SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65)

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES March 12, 2004

Availability of Final Data Summaries and Priorities for Chemicals With Respect to Their Evaluation by the OEHHA Science Advisory Board's Carcinogen Identification Committee

The California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), as lead agency for the implementation of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65), has developed a procedure for prioritizing chemicals for consideration under Proposition 65 by the "State's qualified experts." Two committees of the Science Advisory Board (SAB), known as the Carcinogen Identification Committee (CIC) and the Developmental and Reproductive Toxicant (DART) Identification Committee, serve as the State's qualified experts for rendering an opinion whether a chemical is known to the State to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity.

The procedure used by OEHHA to identify, prioritize and select candidate chemicals for evaluation by the SAB Committees is described in, "Procedure for Prioritizing Candidate Chemicals for Consideration Under Proposition 65 by the States Qualified Experts," May 1997, and is available on the Internet at **www.oehha.ca.gov**. On October 17, 2003, OEHHA announced the release of draft priority assignments and draft data summaries for 47 of 50 chemicals selected for prioritization with respect to their potential to cause cancer. Draft data summaries and priorities were not released last October on three postponed substances: chromium picolinate, toxins derived from *Fusarium moniliforme* (*Fusarium verticillioides*), and sodium nitrite. Chromium picolinate was postponed pending the results of a bioassay expected from the National Toxicology Program. "Toxins derived from *Fusarium moniliforme*" was postponed because it is a candidate for listing via the authoritative bodies mechanism. The draft data summary and priority status for sodium nitrite is under development.

The October 17, 2003, announcement initiated a 60-day public comment period on 47 draft priority assignments and draft data summaries for the 50 "Batch #4" chemicals. The public comment period included a public workshop held November 19, 2003. After review and careful consideration of the comments received, the priority assignments have been finalized for 45 of the 47 chemicals, as indicated in the table below. OEHHA is evaluating comments received and finalizing data summaries on the two remaining chemicals: nucleoside analogues, titanium dioxide. The priority status of these chemicals will remain "draft" until that process is completed.

In accordance with OEHHA's prioritization procedure, all chemicals with final priority assignments of "high" carcinogenicity concern are placed on the final Candidate List (see table below). All other final prioritized chemicals will be placed in Category II, which means they will not be subject to further consideration at this time. Chemicals are selected from the Candidate List for the development of draft hazard identification documents and subsequent consideration for listing by the CIC of OEHHA's Science Advisory Board. The final priority assignments for the 45 chemicals are given below.

Final Priority Assignments

On Candidate List due to HIGH CARCINOGENICITY CONCERN	
Name of Chemical	CAS Reg. No.
4-Amino-N-(4,6-dimethyl-2-pyrimidinyl)benzene sulfonamide (sulfamethazine)	57-68-1
2-Chloro-1,1,1-trifluoroethane	75-88-7
Ciprofibrate	52214-84-3
Diallate	2303-16-4
Diftalone	21626-89-1
3,6-Dinitrobenzo[a]pyrene	128714-76-1
1,2-Epoxybutane	106-88-7
4-Hydroxybenzenediazonium and its salts	19089-85-1
Methimazole	60-56-0
4-Methylbenzenediazonium and its salts	57573-52-1
Molybdenum trioxide	1313-27-5
4-Nitrotoluene (<i>p</i> -nitrotoluene)	99-99-0
Propoxur (Baygon)	114-26-1
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	120-82-1
Verapamil	52-53-9

Category II (Not HIGH CARCINOGENICITY CONCERN Name of Chemical	
Name of Chemical	CAS Reg. No.
Acephate	30560-19-1
Acetoxymethylphenylnitrosamine	81943-37-5
trans-Anethole	4180-23-8
Aspartame	22839-47-0
1-Benzoyl-2,6-dimethyl-4-nitrosopiperazine	61034-40-0
Chloroacetic acid	79-11-8
Chloromethane (methyl chloride)	74-87-3
Cholestyramine	11041-12-6
Clofentezine	74115-24-5
Cycloate	1134-23-2
3,4-Dihydrocoumarin	119-84-6
Dimethipin (Harvade)	55290-64-7
Flutamide	13311-84-7
Indolidan	100643-96-7
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Isomazole and isomazole hydrochloride	87359-33-9
Isoniazid	54-85-3
Levobunolol and its salts	47141-42-4
Mecoprop and its salts	7085-19-0
Methyl methacrylate	80-62-6
Mineral fibers, man-made; now referred to as	
Synthetic vitreous fibers:	
Rockwool (stonewool)	
Slagwool	
Continuous glass filaments	
Nicotine	54-11-5
3-Nitrofluoranthene	892-21-7
Orlistat	96829-58-2
Oxyfluorfen (Goal)	42874-03-3
Pimozide	2062-78-4
Pyrimethamine (Daraprim)	58-14-0
Triethanolamine	102-71-6
Tralkoxydim	87820-88-0
Triflusulfuron-methyl	126535-15-7
Vitamin K (by intramuscular injection in neonates)	12001-79-5

Copies of the final data summaries and priority assignments for these chemicals are available from the Proposition 65 Implementation Office at the address and telephone number indicated below, or from the Internet at the following address: **www.oehha.ca.gov**.

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