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 September 20, 2002

AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT HAZARD IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT FOR PHENELZINE AND ITS ACID SALTS

The California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) is the lead agency for the implementation of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65).

The Carcinogen Identification Committee (CIC) of OEHHA's Science Advisory Board advises and assists OEHHA in compiling the list of chemicals known to the State to cause cancer, which is mandated by Health and Safety Code Section 25249.8. The Committee serves as the State's qualified experts for determining whether a chemical has been clearly shown through scientifically valid testing according to generally accepted principles to cause cancer.

On November 19, 1999, OEHHA requested information in relation to the preparation of a draft hazard identification document on phenelzine and its acid salts, a chemical to be considered by the CIC for possible addition to the Proposition 65 list. The 60-day data call-in period ended on January 18, 2000. No information or data were received on phenelzine and its acid salts.

OEHHA has prepared the draft hazard identification document for phenelzine and its acid salts and announces the availability of the draft document entitled: "Evidence on the Carcinogenicity of phenelzine and its acid salts." Copies of the draft document are available from the Proposition 65 Implementation Office and may be requested by calling (916) 445-6900. The document is also available through the Internet at the following address: http://www.oehha.ca.gov/. This notice marks the beginning of a 60-day public comment period. Comments should be submitted in triplicate and directed to:

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In order to be considered, comments must be postmarked (if sent by mail) or received at OEHHA (if hand-delivered or sent by fax) by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 19, 2002.

OEHHA will organize and index the comments received and forward the information to the CIC members prior to the meeting at which the candidate chemical will be considered. The next meeting

of the CIC is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 17, 2002**. The meeting will be held at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters Building, Coastal Hearing Room, at 1001 I Street, Sacramento, California. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will last until all business is conducted or until 5:00 p.m. The agenda for the meeting will be provided in a future public notice published in advance of the December 17 meeting.