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 DOCUMENTS FOR DIURON AND BROMACIL LITHIUM SALT

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 Developmental and Reproductive Toxicant (DART) Identification Committee of OEHHA's Science Advisory Board advises and assists OEHHA in compiling the list of chemicals known to the State to cause reproductive toxicity, which is mandated by Health and Safety Code Section 25249.8. The DART Identification 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 reproductive toxicity.

On November 16, 2001, OEHHA requested information in relation to the preparation of a draft hazard identification document on diuron, a chemical to be considered by the DART Identification Committee for possible addition to the Proposition 65 list. The data call-in period ended on January 16, 2002. No information or data were received on diuron.

OEHHA requested information in relation to the preparation of a draft hazard identification document on bromacil lithium salt on March 22, 2002. The data call-in period ended on May 6, 2002. No information or data were received on bromacil lithium salt.

OEHHA has prepared the draft hazard identification documents for diuron and bromacil lithium salt and announces the availability of the draft documents entitled: "Evidence on the Developmental and Reproductive Toxicity of Diuron," and "Evidence on the Developmental and Reproductive Toxicity of Bromacil Lithium Salt." Copies of the draft documents are available from the Proposition 65 Implementation Office and may be requested by calling (916) 445-6900. The documents are 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 <u>triplicate</u> and directed to: Cynthia Oshita Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment Proposition 65 Implementation P.O. Box 4010 1001 I Street, 19th floor Sacramento, California 95812-4010 FAX (916) 323-8803

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 DART Identification Committee members prior to the meeting at which the candidate chemicals will be considered. The next meeting of the DART Identification Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 4, 2002**. The meeting will be held at Employment Development Department, 722 Capitol Mall, Auditorium, Sacramento, California, beginning at 10:00 a.m. and continuing until all business has been conducted, or 5:00 p.m. The agenda for the meeting will be provided in a future public notice published in advance of the December 4 meeting.