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 27, 2024

Announcement of the Developmental and Reproductive Toxicant Identification
Committee Meeting Scheduled for December 12, 2024;
Notice of Availability of Hazard Identification Materials for Bisphenol S (BPS)

The California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) will convene a meeting of the Developmental and Reproductive Toxicant Identification Committee (DARTIC). At this meeting the DARTIC will consider the possible listing of bisphenol S (BPS) based on male reproductive toxicity under the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, codified at Health and Safety Code section 25249.5 et seq. (Proposition 65). BPS is on the Proposition 65 list for reproductive toxicity, based on the female reproductive endpoint. OEHHA is also opening a 45-day public comment period on the hazard identification document entitled "Evidence on the Male Reproductive Toxicity of Bisphenol S." The public comment period will end on Tuesday, November 12, 2024. A copy of the document is available on OEHHA's website at https://oehha.ca.gov/proposition-65.

Background

OEHHA is the lead agency for implementation of Proposition 65. The DARTIC advises and assists OEHHA in compiling the list of chemicals known to the state to cause reproductive toxicity within the meaning of the Act, as required by Proposition 65 (Health and Safety Code section 25249.8.). The DARTIC 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 within the meaning of the Act (Health and Safety Code section 25249.8.).

A request for relevant information on the potential reproductive toxicity of this chemical opened on March 4, 2022, and closed on April 18, 2022. One submission was received and is posted on the OEHHA website at: https://oehha.ca.gov/proposition-65/comment-submissions-request-relevant-information-reproductive-toxicity. OEHHA considered this submission in preparing the hazard identification document.

Public Meeting and Public Comment Period

BPS, which is on the Proposition 65 for reproductive toxicity based on the female reproductive endpoint, will be considered for possible listing based on the male reproductive endpoint at a public meeting scheduled for **Thursday**, **December 12**, **2024**. This meeting will be held in Sacramento and online, with the option of participating in person or via the internet. Participate in person at Sierra Hearing Room 1001 I St., Sacramento, CA or <u>register online to participate via Zoom webinar</u>. The meeting will begin at 10:00 am and last until all business is conducted or until 5:00 pm.

The meeting agenda and detailed instructions for providing oral comment will be provided in a future public notice published in advance of the meeting.

All written comments must be submitted to OEHHA by electronic submission, mail, or hand-delivery, by **Tuesday**, **November 12**, **2024**. OEHHA strongly recommends that comments be submitted electronically through our website at https://oehha.ca.gov/comments rather than in paper form. Alternatively, comments can be submitted in paper form, either by mail or delivered in person.

Mailed submission via United States Postal Service:

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Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
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Sacramento, California 95812-4010

In-person delivery submission:

Attention: Kiana Vaghefi
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OEHHA encourages all commenters to submit their comments in a format compliant with Section 508 of the federal Rehabilitation Act, Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.1 (https://www.w3.org/WAI/standards-guidelines/wcag) and California Government Code sections 7405 and 11135, so that they can be read using screen reader technology.

All timely filed public comments will be provided to DARTIC members in advance of the meeting and will be posted on the OEHHA website at the close of the comment period.

OEHHA is subject to the California Public Records Act and other laws that require the release of certain information upon request. If you provide comments, please be aware that your name, address, and e-mail may be available to third parties.

If you would like to request a copy of the hazard identification document, or have any other questions regarding this announcement, please contact Kiana Vaghefi at Kiana.Vaghefi@oehha.ca.gov or 916-322-1268.