CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65)

REQUEST FOR RELEVANT INFORMATION ON THE CARCINOGENICITY OF ETHOPROP

December 19, 2025

The California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) is the lead agency for the implementation of Proposition 65¹. OEHHA is referring ethoprop to the Carcinogen Identification Committee (CIC), the state's qualified experts for carcinogenicity determinations under Proposition 65, for review for possible delisting. Regulations governing the listing of chemicals under the authoritative bodies' mechanism are published in Title 27, California Code of Regulations, section 25306.

When a chemical is no longer identified by the authoritative body as causing cancer and no other administrative basis for listing applies, the chemical is referred to the CIC². The CIC then determines whether the chemical has been "clearly shown through scientifically valid testing according to generally accepted principles to cause cancer." If the CIC makes such a determination, the chemical remains on the Proposition 65 list. Otherwise, the chemical is removed from the list.

Ethoprop was added to the Proposition 65 list under the authoritative bodies listing mechanism on February 27, 2001. The listing is based upon its classification by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (US EPA, 1997³) as a "likely" human carcinogen. In 2020, US EPA revised the classification of ethoprop to "suggestive evidence of carcinogenic potential" (US EPA, 2020⁴).

¹ The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, Health and Safety Code section 25249.5 et seq.

² Title 27, Cal. Code of Regs., section 25306(j)

³ US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA 1997). Cancer Assessment Document, Evaluation of the Carcinogenic Potential of Ethoprop. Cancer Assessment Review Committee. Health Effects Division. Office of Pesticide Programs. September 25, 1997.

⁴ US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA 2020). Ethoprop: Cancer Assessment Review Committee's Re-Evaluation of Carcinogenic Potential. Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention. March 16, 2020.

This notice announces a data call-in giving the public an opportunity to provide information relevant to the assessment by the CIC of the carcinogenicity of ethoprop. Relevant information on ethoprop includes but is not limited to:

- Cancer bioassays
- Cancer epidemiological studies
- Studies related to cancer mechanisms and the key characteristics of carcinogens
- Other pertinent studies on:
 - Pharmacokinetics
 - Effects on biochemical and physiological processes, including findings in humans

The publication of this notice marks the start of a 45-day data call-in period, ending on **Day**, **February 2**, **2026**. The information received during this period will be reviewed and considered by OEHHA as it prepares the cancer hazard identification materials on ethoprop.

Hazard identification materials will be made available to the public for comment prior to the CIC's consideration on the evidence on the carcinogenicity of ethoprop. Public comments received on these materials are sent to the CIC for its consideration prior to the CIC meeting at which the chemical will be considered. The time, date, location, and agenda of the CIC meeting will be posted on OEHHA's website.

We encourage you to submit relevant information responsive to this request in electronic form, rather than in paper form. Comments may be submitted electronically through our website at https://oehha.ca.gov/comments. Comments submitted in paper form can be mailed, faxed, or delivered in person to the addresses below:

Electronic submission (preferred):

OEHHA website: https://oehha.ca.gov/comments

Mailed submission:

Attention: Tina Cox
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In-person delivery submission:

Attention: Tina Cox Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment 1001 I Street Sacramento, California 95814

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OEHHA is subject to the California Public Records Act and other laws that require the release of certain information upon request. If you provide a submission, your comment may be available to third parties.

If you have any questions, please contact Tina Cox at <u>Tina.Cox@oehha.ca.gov</u> or at (916) 327-7338.