## CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT

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

## AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL PRIORITIZATION PROCESS DOCUMENT

## **December 17, 2004**

This notice announces the availability of the final prioritization process document to be used by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) to identify candidate chemicals to be considered by Carcinogen Identification Committee (CIC) and Developmental and Reproductive Toxicant Identification Committee (DARTIC) for possible listing under Proposition 65 (The Safe Drinking Water and Toxics Enforcement Act of 1986, codified at Health and Safety Code section 25249.5). Over the past two years, an informal workgroup comprised of OEHHA staff and a few members of the CIC and DARTIC worked collaboratively on revising the 1997 Prioritization Procedure to more efficiently identify candidate chemicals to be evaluated by the Committees. After receiving comments from various interested parties, and revising the prioritization process document based upon those comments and input from the workgroup, the document is finalized and will be implemented by OEHHA effective the release date of the document, December 17, 2004.

The prioritization process laid out in this document is the outcome of the two-year process involving the workgroup's activities leading to a draft prioritization process, and subsequent input by the CIC, DARTIC, and the public. Two public comment periods (see May 28, 2004 public notice in the *California Regulatory Notice Register (CRNR)* (Register 2004, No. 22-Z) and September 3, 2004 public notice in the *CRNR* (Register 2004, No. 36-Z)) and a public workshop were held. The prioritization process was discussed and endorsed by the CIC at their November 1, 2004 public meeting and the DARTIC at their November 4, 2004 public meeting, after hearing public comment.

The final document is available from the Internet at <a href="http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html">http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html</a> or the Proposition 65 Implementation Office at, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, Street Address: 1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814, Mailing Address: P.O. Box 4010, Sacramento, California 95812-4010, (916) 445-6900 or (916) 323-8803 (FAX).