

# Developing Provisional Health Guidance to Support the AB 2588 Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Program

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### Background

- Proposing to add ~700 chemical substances to AB 2588 Appendix A-I
- Most do not yet have OEHHA approved health values
- ➤ Early AB 2588 used CAPCOA default health values
- Proposing to develop non-regulatory, provisional health guidance in interim



## Purpose of Provisional Health Guidance

- Provisional health guidance helps better understand the relative importance of a facility's processes and emissions
- Facilities can use information to voluntarily reduce emissions of concern
- ➤ OEHHA uses AB 2588 emission inventory to allocate resources for development of new health values



#### Provisional Health Guidance in AB 2588 Context

Program Elements	Part of EICG Regulation?	Timing
Substance List (Appendix A)	Yes	EICG Rulemaking
Reporting Degree of Accuracy (RDOA)	Yes	EICG Rulemaking
Provisional Health Guidance	No	Post-Rulemaking Implementation (Beginning 2023 & on-going)



### Framing Questions

- What data sources should be consulted for health guidance?
  - Health related databases (e.g., Prop. 65, IRIS, PubChem, OEHHA Interim)
  - Workplace data with adjustments (e.g., NIOSH, ACGIH)
  - Structure activity or benchmark approaches
  - Threshold values from other media (e.g., water)
- ➤ What is the most appropriate approach to establish health guidance for a functional group class and its members?



# Framing Questions (continued)

- ➤ What types of adjustments should be considered?
  - Structure activity modeling based on similar chemicals?
  - Criteria for quantity and quality of available health information?
  - Severity of health effects and relative toxicity?
  - Other factors?



### **Process & Anticipated Timeline**

- Discuss concepts with SRP July 2020
- ➤ Develop proposed approach with OEHHA mid-2020 to early 2021
- Present the proposed approach for SRP review and further discussion early 2021
- ➤ Draft health guidance by mid-2022
- Provisional health guidance available for use by mid-2023



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