## SCIENTIFIC REVIEW PANEL ON TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANTS NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Scientific Review Panel on Toxic Air Contaminants (Panel), established pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 39670, will hold a public meeting at the following time and place:

DATE: November 30, 2004

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: South San Francisco Conference Center

255 South Airport Boulevard

South San Francisco, California 94080-6703 (650) 877-8787

## 3/4 AGENDA—

1. Continuation of discussion of a toxicity summary and proposed chronic Reference Exposure Level for respirable crystalline silica, an addendum to "Air Toxics Hot Spots Program Risk Assessment Guidelines, Part III: Technical Support Document, Determination of Noncancer Chronic Reference Exposure Levels."

The Panel will continue its discussion of a draft toxicity summary and proposed chronic reference exposure level (REL) for respirable (less than or equal to 10 micrometers) crystalline silica prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). OEHHA staff revised the draft document following the Panel's last meeting on May 19, 2004. Chronic RELs represent levels at (or below) which no adverse health effects are anticipated from exposure to the listed chemical. If approved by the Panel and adopted by OEHHA, the REL will be an addendum to the original technical support document approved by the Panel in February 2000.

(Please Note: The revised document will be posted by OEHHA by Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at: <a href="http://www.oehha.ca.gov/air/chronic\_rels/index.html">http://www.oehha.ca.gov/air/chronic\_rels/index.html</a>)

2. Review of the draft report "Proposed Identification of Environmental Tobacco Smoke as a Toxic Air Contaminant," October 2004.

Environmental tobacco smoke, also known as second-hand smoke, is a complex mixture of chemicals generated during the burning and smoking of tobacco products to which non-smokers are exposed. The Air Resources Board and OEHHA staffs jointly prepared this draft report and will present the report for the Panel's consideration. If approved by the Panel, the report will be presented to the Air Resources Board in a public hearing to consider identifying environmental tobacco smoke as a toxic air contaminant. http://www.arb.ca.gov/toxics/ets/ets.htm

3. Consideration of administrative matters.

The Panel may discuss various administrative matters and scheduling of future meetings.

THE AGENDA ITEMS LISTED ABOVE MAY BE CONSIDERED IN A DIFFERENT ORDER AT THE MEETING

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCIENTIFIC REVIEW PANEL

The Scientific Review Panel (Panel) is charged with evaluating the risk assessments of substances proposed for identification as toxic air contaminants by the Air Resources Board (ARB), the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) and the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR), and the review of guidelines prepared by OEHHA. In carrying out this responsibility, the Panel reviews the exposure and health assessment reports and underlying scientific data on which the reports are based, which

are prepared by the ARB, DPR, and OEHHA pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 39660-39661, 39669.5 and 44360, and Food and Agricultural Code sections 14022-14023. These reports are prepared for the purpose of determining whether a substance or pesticide should be identified as a toxic air contaminant, or as guidelines to be used in preparing health risk assessments.

The Panel welcomes written comments or submissions from all parties regarding a report. To assure adequate review, the Panel does not accept oral comments from the public at its meetings, and requests that information submitted for its consideration be sent to the Panel Liaison (contact information below) no later than two weeks prior to the meeting. These submissions are received and carefully reviewed and considered by the Panel members prior to the public meeting. Transcripts to previously held Panel meetings can be found through the ARB web site <a href="https://www.arb.ca.gov/srp/srp.htm">www.arb.ca.gov/srp/srp.htm</a>.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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