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: September 26, 2007

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION: South San Francisco Conference Center

255 South Airport Boulevard

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-AGENDA-

1. Review of the draft report, "Long-term Health Effects of Exposure to Ethylbenzene" August 2007.

The staff of the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) will present a draft cancer risk assessment and unit risk factor for ethybenzene. Ethylbenzene was identified as a toxic air contaminant in 1993. If approved, this report will be an addendum to Part II of the Technical Support Document for Describing Available Cancer Potency Factors as part of the risk assessment guidelines used in implementing the Air Toxics Hot Spots Act (Health and Safety Code section 4430 et seq.). http://www.oehha.ca.gov/air/hot_spots/ebenz082707.html

2. Review of the draft report, "Endosulfan Risk Characterization Document" August 2007.

The Panel will review a draft report prepared by the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) proposing to identify and list endosulfan as a toxic air contaminant. Endosulfan is a broad-spectrum non-systemic insecticide and acaricide used to control insects in a wide variety of vegetables, fruits, grains, cotton, and tea, as well as ornamental shrubs, vines, and trees. Once the report is approved, the Panel will discuss its findings to be submitted to the DPR Director.

http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/empm/pubs/tac/draftrcd.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 http://www.arb.ca.gov/srp/srp.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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