

**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: May 16, 2008
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Holiday Inn, San Francisco International Airport North
275 South Airport Boulevard
South San Francisco, California 94080 (650) 873-3566

—AGENDA—

1. Discussion of the Panel’s findings relating to the approved report, “Endosulfan Risk Characterization Document” (revised February 2008)

In its February meeting, the Panel approved the Department of Pesticide Regulation’s (DPR) draft report that proposed to identify endosulfan as a toxic air contaminant. The Panel will deliberate and discuss its findings which are to be submitted to the DPR Director. 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. <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/empm/pubs/tac/draftrcd.htm>

(Transcript of the Feb., 28, 2008 meeting is available at: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/srp/srpmeetings.htm>)

2. Continuation of the Panel’s review of the draft report “Air Toxics Hot Spots Risk Assessment Guidelines - Technical Support Document for the Derivation of Noncancer Reference Exposure Levels” (April 2008)

The Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) will continue presenting its report from the February meeting, describing the methodology used in developing acute, 8-hour, and chronic health protective levels (reference exposure levels[RELS]) used in non-cancer risk assessments. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 44360 (b) (2), OEHHA must develop health risk assessment guidelines under the Air Toxics Hot Spots Program. This report replaces and updates previous acute and chronic Technical Support Documents and addresses the mandate under the Children’s Environmental Health Protection Act (SB 25, Escutia, 1999; Health and Safety Code sections 39669.5 et seq.) to ensure that risk assessment methods adequately protect infants, children, and other sensitive subpopulations.

The Panel will also review OEHHA’s recommendations for six proposed RELs: acetaldehyde, acrolein, arsenic, formaldehyde, manganese, and mercury. This report details new guidelines and health protective levels for these compounds.

http://www.oehha.ca.gov/air/hot_spots/tsd042408.html

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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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