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: January 11, 2007

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Millberry Conference Center

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-AGENDA-

1. Review of the draft report, "Methidathion (Supracide®) Risk Characterization Document," revised November 2006.

In June the Panel began its review of a draft report prepared by Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) proposing to identify methidathion as a toxic air contaminant. Methidathion is an organophosphate pesticide used in a wide variety of crops. DPR revised the report based on comments in the last meeting; the Panel will continue its review of the revised report dated November 2006. 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

2. Briefing on the Department of Pesticide Regulation's new air quality initiative.

On May 30 DPR announced a new comprehensive pesticide initiative that focuses on four areas: reducing emissions from fumigants; reformulating products to reduce emissions and risks; promoting new, more environmentally-friendly technologies; and developing strategic pest management partnerships in cooperation with industry. DPR staff will provide an overview of the new initiative. http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/empm/airinit/airinit.htm

3. Update to the Panel on upcoming reports to be reviewed by the Panel

Staff will brief the Panel on upcoming reports, including the implementation of SB 25 (Escutia, 1999, "Prioritization of Toxic Air Contaminants under the Children's Environmental Health Protection Act").

4. 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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