

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

LOG OF TELECONFERENCE

SUBJECT: Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel (CHAP) on Phthalates and Phthalate Substitutes

DATE: December 19, 2011

TIME: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. EST

ENTRY SOURCE: Michael A. Babich, HS

COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES: Michael Babich (HS), Kent Carlson (HS), Leslie Patton (HS), Cheryl Falvey (GC), David DiMatteo, Mary Ann Danello (HS), Lori Saltzman (HS).

CHAP Members: Philip Mirkes (Chair), Bernard Schwetz (Vice-Chair), Chris Gennings, Russ Hauser, Holger Koch, Andreas Kortenkamp, Paul Liroy.

NON FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES: Members of the public were able to listen to the conference call.

SUMMARY:

This was the third teleconference of the Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel (CHAP) on Phthalates and Phthalate Substitutes. The CHAP previously met six times in person since April 2010 at CPSC headquarters in Bethesda, MD.

Cheryl Falvey, CPSC General Counsel, addressed the CHAP's charge as outlined in section 108 of the CPSIA. Ms Falvey emphasized the need to perform risk assessments for phthalates both in isolation and in combination, and emphasized that the CHAP's report and recommendations provides a sufficiently detailed description of their scientific analysis to allow the Commission policy makers to conduct the rulemaking activity called for by the statute. Ms. Falvey responded to questions from the CHAP members.

Dr. Mirkes, the CHAP Chair, lead the remainder of the discussion, which followed the outline of the CHAP's report. The CHAP plans to have a relatively brief report, with additional details provided in the form of attachments. CHAP members provided comments on each section, including information to be added to the short report, and information that can be placed in the appendices.

The CHAP plans to have another teleconference on February 1, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. EST. The CHAP will meet in a public meeting on February 15-17, 2012 at the CPSC offices in Bethesda, MD.

Additional information on the CHAP is available at:
<http://www.cpsc.gov/about/cpsia/chapmain.html>