

# U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

## LOG OF TELECONFERENCE

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

**DATE:** February 1, 2012

**TIME:** 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. EST

**ENTRY SOURCE:** Michael A. Babich, HS

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

**CHAP Members:** Philip Mirkes (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. The names of individuals who requested dial-in instructions are attached.

### **SUMMARY:**

This was the fourth 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.

Dr. Mirkes, the CHAP Chair, lead 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 that can be moved to the appendices.

The CHAP members discussed a variety of topics. The available epidemiological and biomonitoring studies do not distinguish among different sources of exposure, such as toys or child care articles. Animal studies suggest that the fetus is the most sensitive life stage; however, this does not imply that children's exposures are not of concern. Biomonitoring studies suggest that exposures to high molecular weight phthalates are correlated.

The CHAP will meet in a public meeting on February 15-17, 2012 at the CPSC offices in Bethesda, MD. The meeting will be webcast.

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