



February 16, 2015

The Honorable Elliot F. Kaye, Chairman
Consumer Product Safety Commission
4330 East West Highway
Bethesda, MD 20814

Dear Chairman Kaye,

At the December 17, 2014 meeting of the Consumer Product Safety Commission concerning the draft notice of proposed rulemaking on phthalates and phthalate alternatives, there was discussion among the Commissioners and CPSC staff regarding the pending analysis of the most recently available NHANES biomonitoring data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) by CPSC staff. At that meeting Dr. Michael Babich stated that CPSC staff estimated it would take five staff months to complete an analysis of the most recent NHANES exposure data.

Our member companies have spent significant time analyzing the 2009-2010 and 2011-2012 NHANES data using the same methodology used by the Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel (CHAP) on phthalates. We would like to share that work with the CPSC science staff in an open and transparent way so that it may assist in the CPSC's efforts to complete an analysis of the most recent NHANES exposure data.

We hope that the CPSC science staff accepts our offer of technical assistance so that the CPSC can complete this analysis during the public comment period so that stakeholders and the general public have access to this important information. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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