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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

[ATSDR-139]

Availability of Draft Toxicological Profile

AGENCY: Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice, prepared by ATSDR for the Department of Defense, announces for review and comment, the availability of one new draft toxicological profile on unregulated hazardous substances. Profiles issued as "Drafts for Public Comment" represent the agency's best efforts to provide important toxicological information on priority hazardous substances. We are seeking public comments and additional information or reports on studies about the health effects of petrochemical substances and their components for review and potential inclusion in the profile.

DATES: In order to be considered, comments on this draft toxicological profile must be received on or before February 22, 1999. Comments received after the close of the public comment period will be considered at the discretion of ATSDR based upon scientific relevance and public health significance.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the draft toxicological profile should be sent to the attention of Ms. Loretta Norman, Division of Toxicology, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Mailstop E-29, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30333. Comments regarding the draft toxicological profile should be sent to the attention of Dr. Ganga Choudhary, Division of Toxicology, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Mailstop E-29, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30333.

Requests for the draft toxicological profile must be in writing, and must specifically identify the profiled hazardous substance(s) profile(s) that you wish to receive. ATSDR reserves the right to provide only one copy of each profile requested, free of charge. In case of extended distribution delays, requestors will be notified.

Written comments and other data submitted in response to this notice and the draft toxicological profile should bear the docket control number ATSDR-139. Send one copy of all comments and three copies of all supporting documents to Dr. Ganga Choudhary at the above address by the end of the comment period. All written comments and the draft toxicological profile will be available for public inspection at ATSDR, Building 4, Executive Park Drive, Atlanta, Georgia (not a mailing address), from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays. Because all public comments regarding ATSDR toxicological profiles are available for public inspection, no confidential business information should be submitted in response to this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Loretta Norman, Division of Toxicology, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Mailstop E-29, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone (404) 639-6322.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-499) amended the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or Superfund). Section 211 of SARA also amended Title 10 of the U.S. Code, creating the Defense Environmental Restoration Program. Section 2704(a) of Title 10 of the U.S. Code directs the Secretary of Defense to notify the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) of not less than 25 of the most commonly found unregulated hazardous substances at defense facilities. The Secretary of HHS is to prepare toxicological profiles of these substances. Each profile includes an examination, summary and interpretation of available toxicological information and epidemiologic evaluations. This information is used to ascertain the level of significant human exposure for the substance and the associated health effects. The profiles include a determination of whether adequate information on the health effects of each substance is available or

in the process of development. When adequate information is not available, ATSDR, in cooperation with the National Toxicology Program (NTP), is required to assure initiation of research to determine these health effects.

Although key studies for the substance were considered during the profile development process, this **Federal Register** notice seeks to solicit any additional studies, particularly unpublished data and ongoing studies, which will be evaluated for possible addition to the profile now or in the future.

The draft toxicological profile will be made available to the public on or about October 17, 1998.

Document	Hazardous substance	CAS No.
1.	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPHs).	

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Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Annual statistical report on children in foster homes and children in families receiving payments in excess of the poverty income level from a State program funded under Part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act.

OMB No.: 0970-0040.

Description: This information is collected to meet the statutory requirements of section 1124 of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (as amended by Pub. L. 103-382). It is collected by DHHS from State public welfare agencies and turned over to the Department of Education which uses it to arrive at the formula for allocating Title I grant funds to State and local elementary and secondary schools for the purpose of providing educational assistance to disadvantaged children.

Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Govt.