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15-DAY PUBLIC NOTICE AND COMMENT PERIOD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS ADDED TO THE RULEMAKING FILE

SAFER CONSUMER PRODUCTS

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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Government Code section 11347.1, subdivision (b), that the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has added the following documents to the Safer Consumer Products rulemaking file, which was published in the California Regulatory Notice Register (Z-2012-0717-04) on July 27, 2012:

(1) External Scientific Peer Review Reports

DTSC has added nine external scientific peer review reports to the rulemaking file. DTSC has complied with Health and Safety Code section 57004, regarding submission of the scientific portions of the January 29, 2013, post-hearing changes to the proposed safer consumer product regulations to an external scientific peer review. The documents were submitted to scientific peer reviewers through the University of California. Their written reports, which contain an evaluation of the scientific basis of the post-hearing changes to the proposed regulations, have been added to the rulemaking file.

(2) California Environmental Policy Council Resolution

DTSC has also added to the rulemaking file the California Environmental Policy Council (Council) resolution adopted on February 28, 2013. Health and Safety Code section 25252.5, subject to a specified exception, requires DTSC to prepare, and submit to the Council for review, a multimedia life cycle evaluation prior to adopting these regulations. However, the law provides an exception to this requirement if the Council conclusively determines that the regulations will not have any significant adverse impacts on public health or the environment. During the February 28, 2013, meeting of the Council written and oral testimony was accepted on the issue described herein. The Council unanimously made a

conclusive determination that the adoption of these regulations would not have a significant adverse impact on public health or the environment. Thus, DTSC is not required to prepare a multimedia life cycle evaluation for these regulations.

A public comment period for the documents added to the rulemaking file, as described above, will commence on March 13, 2013, and close at 5 p.m. on **March 28, 2013**.

Interested persons may submit comments by e-mail to gcregs@dtsc.ca.gov, by fax to (916) 324-1808, or by mail to:

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The documents added to the rulemaking file, as described above, are available at: <http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/LawsRegsPolicies/Regs/index.cfm> or <http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/SCPRegulations.cfm>.

These documents will be available for public inspection between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Regulations Section located at 1001 I Street (22nd Floor), Sacramento, California. Requests and inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Ms. Jackie Buttle at the address indicated above or by telephone at (916) 322-3900. If Ms. Buttle is unavailable, please contact Ms. Hortensia Muniz-Ghazi at (916) 324-1818.

Inquiries regarding technical aspects of these documents should be directed to Ms. Hortensia Muniz-Ghazi at (916) 324-1818. However, please note, such oral inquiries are not part of the rulemaking record.