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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Notice of Teleconference of the Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel on Phthalates and Phthalate Substitutes

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Consumer Product Safety Commission (“CPSC” or “Commission”) is announcing a teleconference and the seventh meeting of the Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel (CHAP) on phthalates and phthalate substitutes. The Commission appointed this CHAP on April 14, 2010, to study the effects on children’s health of all phthalates and phthalate alternatives, as used in children’s toys and child care articles, pursuant to section 108 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) (Pub. L. 110-314). The CHAP will discuss its progress toward completing its analysis of potential risks from phthalates and phthalate substitutes.

DATES: The teleconference will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. EDT (15:00 to 17:00 GMT) on Tuesday, April 10, 2012. Interested members of the public may listen to the CHAP’s discussion. Members of the public will not have the opportunity to ask questions, comment, or otherwise participate in the teleconference. Interested parties should contact the CPSC project manager, Michael Babich, by email (mbabich@cpsc.gov), for call-in instructions no later than Friday, April 6, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Babich, Directorate for Health Sciences, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone (301) 504-7253; email: mbabich@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 108 of the CPSIA permanently prohibits the sale of any “children’s toy or child care article” containing more than 0.1 percent of each of three specified phthalates: Di- (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), dibutyl phthalate (DBP), and benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP). Section 108 of the CPSIA also prohibits, on an interim basis, the sale of any “children’s

toy that can be placed in a child’s mouth” or “child care article” containing more than 0.1 percent of each of three additional phthalates: Diisononyl phthalate (DINP), diisodecyl phthalate (DIDP), and di-*n*-octyl phthalate (DnOP).

Moreover, section 108 of the CPSIA requires the Commission to convene a CHAP “to study the effects on children’s health of all phthalates and phthalate alternatives as used in children’s toys and child care articles.” The CPSIA requires the CHAP to complete an examination of the full range of phthalates that are used in products for children and:

- Examine all of the potential health effects (including endocrine-disrupting effects) of the full range of phthalates;
- Consider the potential health effects of each of these phthalates, both in isolation, and in combination with other phthalates;
- Examine the likely levels of children’s, pregnant women’s, and others’ exposure to phthalates, based upon a reasonable estimation of normal and foreseeable use and abuse of such products;
- Consider the cumulative effect of total exposure to phthalates, both from children’s products and from other sources, such as personal care products;
- Review all relevant data, including the most recent, best-available, peer-reviewed, scientific studies of these phthalates and phthalate alternatives that employ objective data-collection practices or employ other objective methods;
- Consider the health effects of phthalates not only from ingestion, but also as a result of dermal, hand-to-mouth, or other exposure;
- Consider the level at which there is a reasonable certainty of no harm to children, pregnant women, or other susceptible individuals and their offspring, considering the best available science, and using sufficient safety factors to account for uncertainties regarding exposure and susceptibility of children, pregnant women, and other potentially susceptible individuals; and
- Consider possible similar health effects of phthalate alternatives used in children’s toys and child care articles.

The CPSIA contemplates completion of the CHAP’s examination within 18 months of the panel’s appointment on April 14, 2010. The CHAP has an additional 6 months to complete its final report to the Commission. The CHAP must review prior work on phthalates by the Commission, but it is not to be considered determinative because the CHAP’s examination must be conducted *de novo*.

The CHAP must make recommendations to the Commission regarding any phthalates (or combinations of phthalates), in addition to those identified in section 108 of the CPSIA, or phthalate alternatives that the panel determines should be prohibited from use in children’s toys or child care articles, or otherwise restricted. The CHAP members were selected by the Commission from scientists nominated by the National Academy of Sciences. See 15 U.S.C. 2077, 2030(b).

The CHAP met previously in April, July, and December 2010, March, July, and November 2011, and in February 2012, at the CPSC’s offices in Bethesda, MD, and by teleconference in November 2010, September 2011, December 2011, and February 2012. The CHAP heard testimony from interested parties at the July 2010, and November 2011, meetings. There will not be any opportunity for public comment during the April 2012 teleconference.

Dated: March 23, 2012.

Alberta E. Mills,

Acting Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Business Board (DBB); Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: DoD.

ACTION: Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150, the Department of Defense announces the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Defense Business Board (DBB).

DATES: The public meeting of the Defense Business Board (hereafter referred to as “the Board”) will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2012. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 10:45 a.m. (Escort required; see guidance in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, “Public’s Accessibility to the Meeting.”)

ADDRESSES: Room 3E863 in the Pentagon, Washington, DC (escort required; see guidance in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, “Public’s Accessibility to the Meeting”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Board’s Designated Federal Officer

(DFO) is Phyllis Ferguson, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B1088A, Washington, DC 20301-1155, Phyllis.ferguson@osd.mil, 703-695-7563. For meeting information please contact Ms. Debora Duffy, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B1088A, Washington, DC 20301-1155, Debora.Duffy@osd.mil, 703-697-2168.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purpose of the Meeting: At this meeting, the Board will deliberate on the draft findings and recommendations from the “Linking and Streamlining the Defense Requirements, Acquisition, and Budget Processes” and “Promoting Veterans’ Employment through Concurrent Credentialing” Task Groups. The Board will also receive an update from the Task Group on “Leveraging Public-Private Collaboration to Augment the Department of Defense’s Mission.” The mission of the Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense on effective strategies for implementation of best business practices of interest to the Department of Defense.

Agenda:

Public Session

- 9 a.m.–10:30 a.m.—Task Group Outbriefs and Board Deliberations. Linking and Streamlining the Defense Requirements, Acquisition, and Budget Processes.
Promoting Veterans’ Employment through Concurrent Credentialing.
10:30 a.m.–10:45 a.m.—Task Group Update.
Leveraging Public-Private Collaboration to Augment the Department of Defense’s Mission.
10:45 a.m.—Adjourn Public Session and Dismiss Public Guests.

End of Public Session

Availability of Materials for the Meeting: A copy of the agenda for the April 19, 2012 meeting and the terms of reference for the Task Groups may be obtained at the meeting or from the Board’s Web site at <http://dbb.defense.gov/meetings.shtml>.

Public’s Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and the availability of space, part of this meeting is open to the public. Seating is limited and is on a first-come basis. All members of the public who wish to attend the public session of the meeting must contact Ms. Debora Duffy at the number listed in this notice no later than noon on Wednesday, April 11 to register and make arrangements for a Pentagon escort, if necessary. Public attendees requiring escort should arrive at the Pentagon Metro Entrance in time

to complete security screening no later than 8:30 a.m. To complete security screening, please come prepared to present two forms of identification and one must be a pictured identification card.

Special Accommodations: Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting should contact Ms. Duffy at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Committee’s Designated Federal Officer: The Board’s Designated Federal Officer is Phyllis Ferguson, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B1088A, Washington, DC 20301-1155, Phyllis.ferguson@osd.mil, 703-695-7563. For meeting information please contact Ms. Debora Duffy, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B1088A, Washington, DC 20301-1155, Debora.Duffy@osd.mil, (703) 697-2168.

Procedures for Providing Public Comments

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the Board about its mission and topics pertaining to this public session.

Written comments should be received by the DFO at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the Board for their consideration prior to the meeting. Written comments should be submitted via email to the address for the DFO given in this notice in either Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word format. Please note that since the Board operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all submitted comments and public presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including, but not limited to, being posted on the Board’s Web site.

Dated: March 23, 2012.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Threat Reduction Advisory Committee; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics).
ACTION: Federal Advisory Committee Meeting Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended) the Department of Defense announces the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Threat Reduction Advisory Committee (hereafter referred to as “the Committee”).

DATES: Tuesday, April 10, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and Wednesday April 11, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Conference Room 3D958, The Pentagon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William Hostyn, GS-15, DoD, Defense Threat Reduction Agency/SP-ACP, 8725 John J. Kingman Road, MS 6201, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-6201. Email: william.hostyn@dtra.mil. Phone: (703) 767-4453. Fax: (703) 767-4206.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To obtain, review and evaluate classified information related to the Committee’s mission to advise on technology security, combating weapons of mass destruction (C-WMD), counter terrorism and counter proliferation.

Agenda: Beginning at 8 a.m., April 10, and through the end of the meeting on April 11, the committee will receive SECRET-level Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction (C-WMD) briefings from the Department of Defense and the Intelligence Community. The committee will also hold classified discussions on C-WMD-related national security matters as they execute their yearly work plan.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the Department of Defense has determined that the meeting shall be closed to the public. The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, in consultation with the DoD FACA Attorney, has determined in writing that this meeting be closed to the public because the discussions fall under the purview of Title 5, United States Code, Section § 552b(c)(1) and are inextricably intertwined with the unclassified