

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

[ATSDR-115]

Availability of Draft Toxicological Profiles

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 five new draft toxicological profiles on unregulated hazardous substances. All 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 which may be used to supplement these profiles. ATSDR remains committed to providing a public comment period for these documents as a means to best serve public health and our clients.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments on these draft toxicological profiles must be received on or before January 27, 1997. Comments received after the close of the public comment period will be considered at the discretion of ATSDR based upon what is deemed to be in the best interest of the general public.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the draft toxicological profiles or comments regarding the draft toxicological profiles

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.

Requests for the draft toxicological profiles 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 profiles should bear the docket control number ATSDR-115. Send one copy of all comments and three copies of all supporting documents to the Division of Toxicology at the above address by the end of the comment period. All written comments and draft profiles 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 (Public Law 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), may plan a program of research designed to determine these health effects.

Although key studies for each of the substances 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 profiles now or in the future.

The following draft toxicological profiles were made available to the public on October 27, 1996.

| Docu-ment | Hazardous substance | CAS No. |
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| 1 | 2-BUTOXYETHANOL AND | 111-76-2 |
| | 2-BUTOXYETHANOL ACETATE | 112-07-2 |
| 2 | DIISOPROPYL METHYLPHOSPHONATE | 1445-75-6 |
| 3 | HEXAMETHYLENE DIISOCYANATE | 822-06-0 |
| 4 | JET FUEL (JP-5) | 8008-20-6 |
| | JET FUEL (JP-8) | 70892-10-3 |
| 5 | METHYLENEDIANILINE | 101-77-9 |

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Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: New Collection.

Description: The Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting Office of Management and Budget (OMB) clearance for interview instruments to be used in the Head Start Family and Child Experience Survey (FACES). This study is being conducted under contracts with Abt Associates Inc.