Name of Committee: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel: RFP No. NIH–NIDCR–12–99–3.

Date: July 30, 1999.

Time: 10:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: H. George Hausch, PhD, Chief, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594–2372.

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel: 99– 62, Review of R44.

Date: August 17, 1999.

Time: 10:00 am to 11:30 am.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Philip Washko, PhD, DMD, Scientific Review Administrator, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594–2372.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel: 99– 73, Review of R03, K23, K24.

Date: August 25, 1999.

Time: 10:00 am to 11:30 am.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: William J. Gartland, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Res, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594–2372.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel: 99– 79, Review of F32 & K24.

Date: September 2, 1999.

Time: 11:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

[•]*Place:* Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: William J. Gartland, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Res., Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594–2372.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel: 99– 57, Review of R44.

Date: September 14, 1999.

Time: 10:00 am to 11:30 am.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Philip Washko, PhD, DMD, Scientific Review Administrator, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594–2372.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel: 99– 69, P01 Review.

Date: September 14, 1999.

Time: 11:55 am to 2:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

[•]*Place:* Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: H. George Hausch, PhD, Chief, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN44F, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594–2372. (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.121, Oral Diseases and

Disorders Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: July 29, 1999.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy, NIH. [FR Doc. 99–20078 Filed 8–4–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4140–01–M

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant application and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 2, 1999.

Time: 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Thomas A. Tatham, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3188, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 0692.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 3, 1999.

Time: 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm. *Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant

applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Anita Miller Sostek, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3176, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 0910.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 9, 1999.

Time: 10:30 am to 1:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: David Monsees, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3199, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 0684, monseesd@drg.nih.gov

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 9, 1999.

Time: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Sami A. Mayyasi, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5112, MSC 7852, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1169.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel: General Medicine A–1 Study Section.

Date: August 9, 1999.

Time: 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Harold M. Davidson, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4216, MSC 7814, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1776.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 9, 1999.

Time: 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm. *Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Harold M. Davidson, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4216, MSC 7814, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1776.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 10, 1999.

Time: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. *Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Arnold Revzin, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4192, MSC 7806, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1153.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel: ZRG1– IFCN8–05.

Date: August 10, 1999.

Time: 11:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant application.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Samuel Rawlings, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5160, MSC 7844, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1243.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 10, 1999.

Time: 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Joseph Kimm, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5178 MSC 7844, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1249.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel. *Date:* August 10, 1999.

Time: 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Martin Slater, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4184, MSC 7808, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1149.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 11, 1999.

Time: 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. *Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

Place: Holiday Inn, 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Alexander D. Politis, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4204, MSC 7812, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1225, politisa@csr.nih.gov

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 11, 1999.

Time: 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. *Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant

applications and/or proposals.

Place: Holiday Inn, 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Alexander D. Politis, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Dive, Room 4204, MSC 7812, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435–1225, politisa@csr.nih.gov

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 11, 1999.

Time: 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 10892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Ronald Dubois, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, room 4156, MSC 7806, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1722, dubois@drg.nih.gov

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 11, 1999.

Time: 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Larry Pinkus, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4132, MSC 7802, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1214.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel: Visual Sciences A.

Date: August 12, 1999.

Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hilton Philadelphia Airport, 4509 Island Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19153.

Contact Person: Luigi Giacometti, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5208, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1246.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel: ZRG1– IFCN7–05.

Date: August 12, 1999.

Time: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Bernard F. Driscoll, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5158, MSC 7844, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435– 1242.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review and Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: August 13, 1999.

Time: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Marcelina B. Powers, DVM, MS, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4152, MSC 7804, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435–1720.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Toxicology Program, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, Center for the Evaluation of Risks to Human Reproduction; Announces an Expert Panel Review of Phthalates, August 17–19, 1999 in Alexandria, VA

Background

The National Toxicology Program (NTP) and the National Institute of **Environmental Health Sciences have** established the NTP Center for the Evaluation of Risks to Human Reproduction (63 FR 68782, No 239). The purpose of the Center is to provide timely and unbiased, scientifically sound evaluations of human and experimental evidence for adverse effects on reproduction, including development, caused by agents to which humans may be exposed. The evaluations produced through the Center will be published as monographs in Environmental Health Perspectives; a special effort will be made to summarize the reports in terms that can be understood by those who are not scientifically trained.

Expert Panel Review of Phthalates

Seven phthalate esters will be evaluated by an expert panel under the auspices of the NTP Center (64 FR 18921–18922, No 73). These were selected based on their high production volume, extent of human exposures, use in children's products, or published evidence of reproductive or developmental toxicity. The chemicals to be evaluated are listed below with their Chemical Abstract Service registry numbers.

butyl benzyl phthalate (85–68–7)

- di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (117–81–7) di-isodecyl phthalate (26761–40–0,
- 68515-49-1)

di-isononyl phthalate (28553–12–0, 68515–48–0)

di-n-butyl phthalate (84–74–2) di-n-hexyl phthalate (84–75–3) di-n-octyl phthalate (117–84–0)

Review Panel and Charge to Panel

To date, a panel of 14 scientists have been selected for their expertise in various aspects of reproductive toxicology and other relevant areas to conduct the review. The roster of these experts follows:

Phthalates Expert Panel

Name and Affiliation

- Kim Boekelheide, MD, PhD—Brown University, Providence, RI
- Bob Chapin, PhD—NIEHS, Research Triangle Park, NC
- Mike Cunningham, PhD—NIEHS, Research Triangle Park, NC
- Elaine Faustman, PhD—University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- Paul Foster, PhD—Chemical Industry Institute of Toxicology, Research Triangle Park, NC
- Mari Golub, PhD-Cal/EPA, Davis, CA
- Rogene Henderson, PhD—Inhalation Toxicology Research Institute,
 - Albuquerque, NM
- Irwin Hinberg, PhD—Health Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
- Bob Kavlock, PhD—EPA/ORD, Research Triangle Park, NC
- Jennifer Seed, PhD—EPA/OPPT, Washington, DC
- Katherine Shea, MD—North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
- Shelly Tyl, PhD—Research Triangle Institute, Research Triangle Park, NC
- Paige Williams, PhD—Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
- Tim Zacharewski, PhD—Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Charge to Expert Panel

Rigorously evaluate all relevant data and reach a conclusion regarding the strength of scientific evidence that exposure to a chemical may or may not present a risk to human reproduction or development.

1. Evaluate all reproductive and developmental toxicity studies—in humans and animals—for quality, completeness, and sufficiency. Determine consistency of reported effects within and among species. Briefly summarize relevant individual studies.

2. Review and summarize related studies paying particular attention to studies of general toxicity, pharmacokinetics, genetic toxicity, and mechanisms of toxicity, within and across species. Both *in vivo* and *in vitro* studies will be included.

3. Determine, to the extent possible, patterns of use (such as timing, duration) and exposure (such as dose, route) to humans.

4. Integrate this information, using a weight of evidence approach. Determine how human, animal and other data can reasonably be used to predict reproductive or developmental effects in humans under particular exposure conditions.

5. Provide judgments, including qualitative statements of the certainty of the judgments, that an agent presents a potential risk to human reproduction and/or development.

Describe the major factors that contributed to these judgments. State the exposure circumstances under which such risk might be expected to exist.

6. Identify specific areas of uncertainty (such as inadequate pharmacokinetic data in a given species) that would prevent a more definitive assessment of human risk.

7. Identify research and testing needs that, if met, would significantly reduce the uncertainty inherent in the stated judgments of risk.

Meeting Open to the Public

The preliminary agenda for the panel meeting follows:

August 17 (Beginning at 8:30 a.m.)

Opening remarks by Dr. Michael Shelby, NIEHS and Director of the Center, Dr. George Lucier, Director of the NIEHS' Environmental Toxicology Program, and Dr. Robert Kavlock, EPA, and Chair of the Expert Panel.

Panel members will present summaries of the literature they will have individually reviewed in advance of the meeting.

The Phthalate Esters Panel of the Chemical Manufacturers Association, Health Care Without Harm, and the American Council on Science and Health will summarize the deliberations of their recent literature reviews of the possible reproductive and developmental health risks of phthalate exposures.

Panel discussion will follow to identify areas where there is broad panel agreement as well as issues requiring further discussion by workgroups of the panel.

Time will be available to members of the public for comment.

August 17 (PM)-18-19

The remainder of the meeting will be an iterative series of workgroup discussions and plenary sessions. Significant conclusions and judgments reached by the panel workgroups will be presented, discussed, and agreed to by the entire expert panel in plenary sessions. Definitive judgments will be made for each of the seven phthalates.

August 19, 11:00 a.m. (Tentatively)

Closing plenary session, review of panel conclusions.

The review will take place from August 17–19 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1900 Diagonal Road, Alexandria,