

these profiles. Each profile will include an examination, summary and interpretation of available toxicological information and epidemiologic evaluations. This information and these data are to be used to ascertain the levels of significant human exposure for the substance and the associated health effects. The profiles must also 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 the initiation of research 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the profile development process, this **Federal Register** notice seeks to solicit any additional studies, particularly unpublished data and ongoing studies, which will be evaluated for possible addition to the profiles now or in the future.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 will be made available to the public on or about October 17, 1997.

Docu- ment	Hazardous substance	CAS No.
1.	ALUMINUM	007429-90-5
	ALUMINUM CHLORIDE.	007446-70-0
	ALUMINUM CHLOROHYDRATE.	001327-41-9
	11097-68-0
	4861-98-3
	ALUMINUM LAC-TATE.	18917-91-4
	ALUMINUM HY-DROXIDE.	021645-51-2
	ALUMINUM OXIDE.	001344-28-1
	ALUMINUM NI-TRATE.	13473-90-0
	ALUMINUM PHOSPHATE.	007784-30-7
	ALUMINUM PHOSPHIDE.	020859-73-8
	ALUMINUM FLUO-RIDE.	007784-18-1
	ALUMINUM SUL-FATE.	010043-01-3
2.	CHLOROETHANE	000075-00-3
3.	CHLOROMETHANE.	000074-87-3
4.	1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE.	000095-50-1
	1,3-DICHLOROBENZENE.	000541-73-1
	1,4-DICHLOROBENZENE.	000106-46-7
	CHLOROBENZENE.	000108-90-7

Docu- ment	Hazardous substance	CAS No.
5.	DICHLOROBENZENE 025321-22-6.	00091-94-1
6.	3,3-DICHLOROBENZIDINE.	000121-14-2
	2,4-DINITROTOLUENE.	000606-20-2
	2,6-DINITROTOLUENE.	000100-41-4
7.	ETHYL BENZENE	000110-54-3
8.	HEXANE	007439-02-1
9.	LEAD	007439-97-6
10.	MERCURY	001600-27-7
	MERCURIC (II) ACETATE.	001134-48-5
	MERCURIC (II) SULFIDE.	010112-91-1
	MERCURIC (I) CHLORIDE.	000115-09-3
	METHYLMERCURIC CHLORIDE.	000062-38-4
	PHENYLMERCURIC ACETATE.	000108-95-2
11.	PHENOL	007664-93-9
12.	SULFURIC ACID ..	007446-11-9
	SULFUR TRI-OXIDE.	007446-09-5
13.	SULFUR DIOXIDE	

In regards to the draft Toxicological Profile for Mercury, it should be noted that the EPA is currently in the process of developing a comprehensive assessment of the potential adverse effects of mercury emissions on human health and wildlife. In addition, ATSDR is also aware of a number of other ongoing studies which are investigating the potential for human health effects from mercury exposure. Because of these special circumstances, ATSDR will monitor these efforts very closely during the public comment period; any meaningful and compelling information from these efforts will be critically evaluated for incorporation into the final Toxicological Profile for Mercury, as appropriate.

All profiles issued as "Drafts for Public Comment" represent ATSDR'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.

Dated: October 22, 1997.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

[ATSDR-129]

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 announces the availability of two new draft toxicological profiles, comprising the 1st set developed for the Department of Energy, prepared by ATSDR for review and comment.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments on these draft toxicological profiles must be received on or before February 17, 1998. 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 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-129. 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. Because all public comments regarding ATSDR toxicological profiles are available for public inspection after the profile is published in final, 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: These toxicological profiles were developed by ATSDR for hazardous substances at Department of Energy (DOE) waste sites under Section 104(i) (3) and (5) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA or Superfund). This public law directed ATSDR to prepare toxicological profiles for hazardous substances most commonly found at facilities on the CERCLA National Priorities List (NPL) and that pose the most significant potential threat to human health, as determined by ATSDR and the EPA. The current ATSDR priority list of hazardous substances at DOE NPL sites was announced in the **Federal Register** on July 24, 1996 (61 FR 38451).

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 will be made available to the public on or about October 17, 1997.

Docu- ment	Hazardous sub- stance	CAS No.
1.	URANIUM	Multiple
	URANIUM 235	15117-96-1
	URANIUM HEXAFLUORID- E.	7783-81-5
	URANIUM METAL	7440-61-1
	URANIUM ORE	53125-22-7
	URANIUM OCTAOXIDE.	1344-59-8
	URANIUM PER- OXIDE.	19525-15-6
	URANIUM TETRA- CHLORIDE.	10026-10-5
	URANIUM TETRA- FLUORIDE.	10049-14-6
	URANYL ACE- TATE.	541-09-3
	URANYL NITRATE	10102-06-4
	URANYL NITRATE HEXAHYDRATE.	13520-83-7
	URANYL SUL- FATE.	1314-64-3
2.	IONIZING RADI- ATION.	NA

All profiles issued as "Drafts for Public Comment" represent ATSDR'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.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

[ATSDR-127]

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: The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) (42 U.S.C. 9604(i)(3)) directs the Administrator of ATSDR to prepare toxicological profiles of priority hazardous substances and to revise and publish each updated toxicological profile as necessary. This notice announces the availability of five updated drafts and three new draft toxicological profiles, comprising the 10th set of profiles, prepared by ATSDR for review and comment.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments on these draft toxicological profiles must be received on or before February 17, 1998. 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 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-127. 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. Because all public comments regarding ATSDR toxicological profiles are available for public inspection after the profile is published in final, 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) (Pub. L. 99-499) amends the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or Superfund) (42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*) by establishing certain responsibilities for the ATSDR and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with regard to hazardous substances which are most commonly found at facilities on the CERCLA National Priorities List (NPL). Among these statutory provisions is that the Administrator of ATSDR prepare toxicological profiles for substances included on the priority lists of hazardous substances. These lists identified 275 hazardous substances that ATSDR and EPA determined pose the most significant potential threat to human health. The availability of the revised priority list of 275 hazardous substances was announced in the **Federal Register** on April 29, 1996 (61 FR 18744). For prior versions of the list of substances see **Federal Register** notices dated April 17, 1987 (52 FR 12866); October 20, 1988 (53 FR 41280); October 26, 1989 (54 FR 43619); October 17, 1990 (55 FR 42067); October 17, 1991 (56 FR 52166); October 28, 1992 (57 FR 48801); and February 28, 1994 (59 FR 9486). CERCLA also requires ATSDR to assure the initiation of a research program to fill data needs associated with the substances.

Section 104(i)(3) of CERCLA (42 U.S.C. 9604(i)(3)) outlines the content of these profiles. Each profile will include an examination, summary and