

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Chevy Chase Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

Contact Person: Martin L. 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.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

Name of Committee: Nutritional and Metabolic Sciences Initial Review Group, Metabolism Study Section.

Date: October 29-30, 1998.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC 20007.

Contact Person: Krish Krishnan, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6164, MSC 7892, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1041.

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

Date: October 29-30, 1998.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Ramada Inn-Rockville, 1775 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Joe Marwah, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5188, MSC 7846, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1253.

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Name of Committee: Biobehavioral and Social Sciences Initial Review Group, Behavioral Medicine Study Section.

Date: October 29-30, 1998.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: St. James Hotel, 950 24th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Carol A. Campbell, MSW, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5196, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1257.

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Name of Committee: Endocrinology and Reproductive Sciences Initial Review Group, Human Embryology and Development Subcommittee 1.

Date: October 29-30, 1998.

Time: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Ramada Inn, 1775 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Michael Knecht, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6176, MSC 7892, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1046.

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Name of Committee: Biobehavioral and Social Sciences Initial Review Group Human Development and Aging Subcommittee 3.

Date: October 29-30, 1998.

Time: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Embassy Suites Chevy Chase Pavilion, 4300 Military Road, NW, Washington, DC 20015.

Contact Person: Anita Miller Sostek, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5202, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1260.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1-SSS-X (10).

Date: October 29-31, 1998.

Time: 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Swissotel Boston, One Avenue De Lafayette, Boston, MA 02111.

Contact Person: Lee Rosen, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5116, MSC 7854, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1171.

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Dated: October 19, 1998.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Toxicology Program (NTP) Board of Scientific Counselors' Meeting; Review of Nominations for Listing in or Delisting From the 9th Report on Carcinogens

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of the next meeting of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors' Report on Carcinogens (RoC) Subcommittee to be held on December 2 & 3, 1998, in the Conference Center, Building 101, South Campus, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), 111 Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. both days and is open to the public. The agenda topics are the peer review of substances, mixtures, or exposure circumstances nominated for listing in or delisting from the 9th Report on Carcinogens, and the provision of the opportunity for public input.

Background

The process for preparation of the Report on Carcinogens (RoC) has three levels of scientific peer review. Central to the evaluations of the review groups is the use of revised criteria, for inclusion in or removal of substances from the Report, which were approved by the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), in September 1996. The major change in the RoC which occurred as a result of the criteria revision was to include consideration of all relevant information, including mechanistic data, in the decision to list in or delist from future volumes. To broaden the scope of scientific review and broaden input to preparation of the Report, a new standing subcommittee of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors was established in 1996. The meeting on December 2 & 3 will be the third meeting at which the RoC Subcommittee has conducted public review of nominations. The current review process for review of petitions considered by the NTP for listing in or delisting from the RoC begins with initial scientific review by the NIEHS/NTP Report on Carcinogens Review Committee (RG1). The RG1 is comprised of NIEHS/NTP staff scientists. The second scientific review phase is done by the NTP Executive Committee's Working Group for the Report on Carcinogens (RG2). RG2 is comprised of representatives of the Federal health research and regulatory agencies on the

Executive Committee. The third level of review is the external public review by the RoC Subcommittee and includes time for public comments. The independent recommendations of the three scientific peer review groups and all public comments are presented to the NTP Executive Committee for review and comment. The Director, NTP, receives the four independent recommendations and makes NTP recommendations regarding listing or delisting to the Secretary, DHHS.

Agenda

Tentatively scheduled to be peer reviewed on December 2 & 3 are 11 nominations. An alphabetical listing of the nominations with supporting information follows this announcement. The table notes the tentative order of presentation and review in the right hand column, and gives primary uses or exposures and the category for which they were originally nominated. Draft background documents on each of the

nominations will be provided to Board Subcommittee reviewers around November 1. Paper copies of draft background documents can be obtained, as available, from: the Board Executive Secretary, Dr. Larry G. Hart, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (telephone 919/541-3971; FAX 919/541-0295; emailhart@niehs.nih.gov.)

Public Input Encouraged

The entire meeting is open to the public and time will be provided for public comment on each of the nominations being reviewed. In order to facilitate planning for the meeting, persons wanting to make a formal presentation regarding a particular nomination must notify the Executive Secretary by telephone, by FAX, by mail, or by email no later than November 30, 1998, and, if possible, provide a written copy of their statement in advance of the meeting. Written statements should supplement

and may expand on the oral presentation, or may be submitted in lieu of an oral presentation, and should be received by November 30 so copies can be made for distribution to Subcommittee members and staff and made available for the public. All attempts will be made to send statements received by November 24 to Subcommittee members in advance of the meeting. *Oral presentations must be limited to no more than five minutes.*

Upon request, the Executive Secretary, Dr. Larry G. Hart, at the address given above, will furnish the agenda and a roster of Subcommittee members prior to the meeting. Summary minutes subsequent to the meeting will be available upon request.

Attachment.

Dated: October 16, 1998.

Kenneth Olden,

Director, National Toxicology Program.

SUMMARY DATA FOR NOMINATIONS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR REVIEW AT THE MEETING OF THE NTP BOARD OF SCIENTIFIC COUNSELORS' REPORT ON CARCINOGENS SUBCOMMITTEE DECEMBER 2 & 3, 1998

Nomination/CAS No.	Primary uses or exposures	To be reviewed for	Tentative review order
Alcoholic Beverages	Consumption of alcoholic beverages	Listing in the 9th Report	3
Boot and Shoe Manufacture and Repair.	Workers in the boot and shoe manufacture and repair industry.	Listing in the 9th Report	11
Diesel Particulates	Diesel engine exhaust	Listing in the 9th Report	7
Environmental Tobacco Smoke.	"Passive" inhalation of tobacco smoke from environmental sources.	Listing in the 9th Report	4
Ethyl Acrylate/140-88-5	Monomer used to produce polymers and copolymers for use in latex paints, textiles, etc.	Delisting from the Report on Carcinogens	9
Ethylene Oxide/75-21-8	Industrial chemical used as an intermediate in the manufacture of other chemicals; e.g., ethylene glycol and is widely used in the health care industry as a sterilant.	Change current listing to the <i>Known to be a Human Carcinogen</i> category.	6
Isoprene/78-79-5	The monomeric unit of natural rubber and naturally occurring terpenes and steroids and widely used in the production of isoprene-butadiene copolymers.	Listing in the 9th Report	2
Methyl-t-Butyl Ether/1634-04-4.	Used as an additive in unleaded gasoline in amounts up to 11%.	Listing in the 9th Report	8
Nickel Compounds	Many industrial and commercial applications	Change current listing to the <i>Known to be a Human Carcinogen</i> category.	10
Silica, Crystalline/7631-86-9.	Exposure from mining and quarrying of coal and other minerals, stone cutting, production of glass and ceramics and in occupations such as sandblasting, polishing and grinding.	Change current listing to the <i>Known to be a Human Carcinogen</i> category.	5
2,3,7,8-Tetrachloro-dibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD)/1746-01-6.	Not used commercially, used only as a research chemical. Potential exposure from municipal incinerators, dump sites and contaminated soil.	Change current listing to the <i>Known to be a Human Carcinogen</i> category.	1

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4381-D-01]

Delegation of Authority Concerning Sanctions Amendment of Existing Delegations and Redelegations of Authority

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of delegation of authority; and amendment of existing delegations and redelegations of authority.

SUMMARY: This notice amends existing delegations and redelegations of authority to issue the administrative sanctions of suspension, debarment, and limited denial of participation (LDP)