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TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Renee Hackenmiller-Paradis MPH, PhD, Manager
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RE: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking – OAR 333-016,
“List of high priority chemicals of concern for children's health when used in
children's products”

The Oregon Health Authority (Authority), Public Health Division is proposing to permanently adopt administrative rules in chapter 333, division 16 related to high priority chemicals of concern for children's health.

SB 478 (Oregon Laws 2015, chapter 786) was passed by the Oregon Legislature during the 2015 legislative session. The law requires the Authority to maintain a list of high priority chemicals of concern for children's health when used in children's products. The law states that the initial Authority list shall "include on the list chemicals that are listed on the Washington State Department of Ecology's Reporting List of Chemicals of High Concern to Children". These proposed rules establish the initial list of high priority chemicals of concern for children's health when used in children's products that a manufacturer of children's products sold or offered for sale in this state shall provide biennial notice to the Oregon Health Authority beginning on January 1, 2018. This rulemaking is only establishing the list of high priority chemicals of concern for children's health when used in children's products. No requirements are being imposed on manufacturers at this time.

You are being invited to review and comment on the proposed rules. **If you wish to present oral testimony, a public hearing will be held on November 19, 2015 at the Portland State Office Building, 800 NE Oregon St., Room 1C, Portland, OR 97232.**

You may also file written comments before 5:00 p.m. on November 23, 2015, by submitting them to the Public Health Division Rules Coordinator at the following address:

OHA, Public Health Division
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E-mail comments to: brittany.a.sande@state.or.us
You may also send comments by fax to (971) 673-1299.

Final rules will be filed after consideration of all comments.

For more details, please see the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Hearing, Statement of Need and Fiscal Impact, and the full text of the proposed rules at the following website:
<http://public.health.oregon.gov/PHD/Directory/Pages/program.aspx?pid=112>.

If you have questions or would like a paper copy of these rule changes, please call Sandra Healy at 971-673-2320. Thank you for your continued support.