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TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Gabriela Goldfarb, Manager
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RE: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking – OAR 333-016,
“Manufacturer Disclosure of High Priority Chemicals of Concern for
Children's Health 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 develop rules to implement the Toxic Free Kids Program. These proposed rules require manufacturers of children's products to disclose high priority chemicals of concern for children's health used in children's products that are sold or offered for sale in Oregon. The proposed rules establish requirements for disclosure; a process for manufacturers to apply for an exemption from the disclosure requirements; and describe the Authority's civil penalty authority and enforcement process should a manufacturer not comply with the requirements of the rules.

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 October 18, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the Portland State Office Building, 800 NE Oregon St., Room 1B, Portland, OR 97232.**

You may also file written comments before 5:00 p.m. on October 31, 2016, by submitting them to the Public Health Division Rules Coordinator at the following address:

OHA, Public Health Division
Brittany Sande, Administrative Rules Coordinator
800 NE Oregon Street, Suite 930
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E-mail comments to: publichealth.rules@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://www.healthoregon.org/toxicfreekids>

If you have questions or would like a paper copy of these rule changes, please call Rebecca Hillwig at 971-673-0431. Thank you for your continued support.