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TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Karen Girard, Manager
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RE: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking –
OAR 333-015-0200 – 333-015-0220
"Standards for Reducing the Sale of Tobacco and Inhalant Delivery Systems to Minors"

The Oregon Health Authority (Authority), Public Health Division is proposing to permanently adopt administrative rules in chapter 333, division 15 pertaining to standards for reducing the sale of tobacco and inhalant delivery systems to minors. This proposed permanent rulemaking will make temporary rules effective January 1, 2016 through June 28, 2016 permanent.

The proposed rulemaking:

1. Creates definitions in rules to reflect the purpose of the statute, and add clarity to the rules.
2. Requires tobacco and inhalant delivery system retailers to post a notice substantially similar to the content of notice as defined in rules.
3. Adds inhalant delivery systems to requirements specifying the location tobacco products within a retail store.
4. Adds inhalant delivery systems to the Authority's enforcement activities for implementing sales to minors regulations.

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 May 16, 2016 at 9:00am 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 May 23, 2016,** by submitting them to the Public Health Division Rules Coordinator at the following address:

OHA, Public Health Division

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:
<https://public.health.oregon.gov/PreventionWellness/TobaccoPrevention/Pages/retailcompliance.aspx>

If you have questions or would like a paper copy of these rule changes, please call Kim La Croix at 971-673-0984 or kimberly.w.lacroix@state.or.us. Thank you for your continued support.