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Subject: Public Comment for 4-methylimidazole and Hexavalent Chromium

Hi Fran,

Why all the sudden so many industries are asking for reducing the permissible risk levels for some many substances that are clearly regarded as toxic to mammals in animal studies. Reclassifying 4-methylimidazole as non-toxic is not scientifically valid:
<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/17619857>

The reduction of Hexavalent Chromium is also particularly alarming. This is a listed RoHS substances with a very detailed history of toxicity.

As a member of the public and a California resident and taxpayer, I am very much concerned about industries advising public health policies for the rest of us here. I strong urge the OEHHA to deny the request to reduce, eliminate, or reclassify these substances as less toxic or posing no significant risk when ingested. The latter is absolutely ridiculous.

Thank you for your time,

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