

## **Charge to External Reviewers Group A (22 chemicals)**

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (NIOSH, CDC) is conducting a peer review of 22 Skin Notation (SK) Profiles developed based on the *Current Intelligence Bulletin (CIB) A Strategy for Assigning New NIOSH Skin Notations* [NIOSH 2009-147]. These documents have been determined by NIOSH to be a Significant Guidance document in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidelines under the Federal Data Quality Act 2000 (Public Law 106-554, Section 1(a)(3)[515]). The overall goal of the peer review is to enhance the quality and credibility of Agency recommendations by ensuring that the scientific and technical work underlying these recommendations receives appropriate review by independent scientific and technical experts. The peer review charge was developed in accordance with OMB guidelines, is consistent with NIOSH peer review practice, and is meant to ensure that credible and appropriate science is used in the development of the chemical-specific SK Profiles.

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**Time Frame and Submission of Reviews**

Written and electronic comments on the 22 documents contained within Group A will be accepted from May 1, 2010 through July 1, 2010.

- Written comments can be sent to the NIOSH Docket Office, Robert A. Taft Laboratories, 4676 Columbia Parkway, MS C-34, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226 or via fax at 513-533-8285. All material submitted to the Agency should reference docket number NIOSH-153A.
- All electronic comments should be formatted as Microsoft Word and make reference to Docket Number NIOSH-153A. Electronic material can be submitted to [nioshdocket@cdc.gov](mailto:nioshdocket@cdc.gov).