Cr(VI) Criteria Document Update Development Process

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Cr(VI) Document Development

- NIOSH Experts:
  - Epidemiology
  - Risk assessment
  - Industrial hygiene
  - Exposure assessment
  - Toxicology

- Researchers: field and laboratory

- Policy response
Cr(VI) Document Development Process

- Document Development Team review
- Education and Information Division review
- NIOSH Internal review: all Divisions
- NIOSH Office of the Director
- Scientific and policy reviews
- External Review
- Public review
- Public meeting
- Peer review
Public Review of Document
October 15, 2008 – March 31, 2009
(Extended 60 days)
Submitting Public Comments

By March 31, 2009
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Microsoft Word format

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Next Steps

- Public comments due March 31, 2009
- Peer review comments due May 1, 2009
- NIOSH Cr(VI) Document Team
  - Respond to public, peer review comments
  - Revise document
- Education and Information Division review
- NIOSH Office of the Director
  - Review for publication and dissemination
Cr(VI) Public Meeting

- Opportunity for:
  - Public presentations
  - Public input
  - Open discussion

- Ensure:
  - Inclusion of relevant scientific studies
  - Appropriate and justified worker recommendations
  - Transparent and scientific basis for revised REL
Charge to Peer Reviewers

1. Are the critical studies presented clearly and adequately?

2. Do all of the presented studies use scientifically valid methods and techniques?

3. Are there additional critical studies relevant to occupational exposure to hexavalent chromium compounds that should be included?

4. Does NIOSH have a transparent and sound basis for its revised Recommended Exposure Limit for hexavalent chromium compounds?
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5. Is the new NIOSH policy of providing general exposure assessment recommendations instead of a specific Action Level scientifically justified?

6. Are the NIOSH recommendations for worker protection clear and justified?

7. Are there additional recommendations for worker protection that should be included?
Cr(VI) Public Meeting Agenda

- NIOSH presentations
- Public presentations
- Open discussion of draft document
- Adjourn