

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

November 10, 1998

TO: File for alkyl benzyl phthalate (CAS #68515-40-2)

FROM: Cathy Simon, Supervisor, Toxics Unit, Air Quality Division

SUBJECT: Change in the Initial Threshold Screening Level (ITSL)

The ITSL for alkyl benzyl phthalate has been changed from 0.04 ug/m³ to 0.1 ug/m³ based on an annual averaging time.

The change in the ITSL was made due to a revision in the State's air toxic rules which became effective on November 10, 1998. Previously, the ITSL had been set pursuant to Rule 232(i). This rule sets the ITSL at a default value of 0.04 ug/m³ (annual average) when no specific data are available to determine an ITSL. The November 10, 1998 revisions to the rules changed this default ITSL to a value of 0.1 ug/m³.

No updated review of the literature has been done since the ITSL was originally set at a value of 0.04 ug/m³, to determine if new data are available for this compound.

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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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September 1, 1993

TO: File for Alkyl Benzyl Phthalate (CAS# 68515-40-2)

FROM: John Abbott, Toxics Unit

SUBJECT: Screening level for Alkyl Benzyl Phthalate (CAS# 68515-40-2)

The following databases were searched for toxicity data:

RTECS
EPA IRIS
DNR EPB and NUTSHELL
NIOSH
ACGIH TLV
CAS Online
HEAST
IARC Monographs
NTP Management Status Report

A search of the sources above failed to identify an RfD, RfC, TLV or REL for Alkyl Benzyl Phthalate. No data is available for the derivation of an initial screening level based on the toxicity, carcinogenicity, or teratogenicity of this compound. Insufficient data is available to compare this to other phthalates. The ITSL is therefore set at trace.

ITSL = 0.04 ug/m³ based on annual averaging.