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Re: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report Regarding the Proposed Revisions to the California Plumbing Code to Allow the Use of Perfluoroalkoxy in Dialysis Branch Lines and Plastic Pipe in Plumbing Applications in OSHPD 1, 2, 3, and 4 Facilities

To Interested Parties:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD), as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), is making available a draft environmental impact report (Draft EIR) for public review. CDFA has prepared this Draft EIR to provide the public, responsible agencies, and trustee agencies with information about the potential environmental effects of the proposed Revisions to the California Plumbing Code to Allow the Use of Perfluoroalkoxy in Dialysis Branch Lines and Plastic Pipe in Plumbing Applications in OSHPD 1, 2, 3, and 4 Facilities (Proposed Project). This Draft EIR was prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970 (as amended) and the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations [CCR] title 14, section (§) 15000 et seq.). OSHPD hereby invites comments on the adequacy and completeness of the environmental analyses in the Draft EIR.

PROGRAM LOCATION: The Proposed Project would allow statewide use of the identified materials for the four facility types listed in the introduction to this chapter. The specific locations of their use that may result from the Proposed Project are unknown at this time, and would be based on the locations and construction methods for future new construction and renovation of OSHPD 1, 2, 3, and 4 facilities.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: The Proposed Project would involve removal of existing exemptions in the California Plumbing Code prohibiting use of ABS, PVC, and CPVC pipe in OSHPD 1, 2, 3, and 4 facilities, as well as other changes to the Code to allow for the use of plastic pipe in OSHPD facilities. While the Proposed Project would not directly involve construction, the Proposed Project could result in construction activities as existing metal piping in OSHPD facilities may be replaced with plastic pipe or new OSHPD facilities may be plumbed with plastic pipe, pursuant to the new regulations.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft EIR is available for download from www.oshpd.ca.gov. Hard copies of the document can be reviewed at OSHPD's offices in Sacramento (address

shown below). CDs are available on request by phoning (916) 440-8356 or emailing Glenn Gall at Glenn.Gall@oshpd.ca.gov. They will also be available at the public meetings in Sacramento and Los Angeles. Printed copies are also available at cost plus postage, upon request using the above contact information.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The EIR is available for a 45-day public review and comment period, which begins on August 27, 2015 and ends at 5 p.m. on October 12, 2015. **Please send comments on the EIR at the earliest possible date, but postmarked no later than 5 p.m. on October 12, 2015 in order for your comments to be considered.**

Comments may be mailed to the following address:

Glenn Gall, AIA, Project Manager
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Written comments may also be submitted by email to: Glenn.Gall@oshpd.ca.gov. Emailed comments are preferred, and should include your name, address, and daytime telephone number so a representative of OSHPD can contact you if clarifications regarding your comments are required.

All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official public record. A Final EIR will be prepared which will include responses to comments received during the public review period.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public meetings to present written and/or verbal comments on the EIR. Two public meetings will be held at the following locations and times:

- Los Angeles, CA: September 15, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Junipero Serra Building (Pacific Ocean Room 2nd Floor Conference, 320 W. Fourth Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013)
- Sacramento, CA: September 16, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at OSHPD Headquarters (Sacramento River Room, 400 R Street, Sacramento, CA 95811)

Sincerely,

Glenn Gall

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Locations where EIR can be reviewed:

- Online: www.oshpd.ca.gov
- Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, 400 R Street, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA, 95811

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