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Telomer Incineration Draft Straw Objectives and Agenda 8 August ;

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Technical Subgroup on Incineration Test Methods for Telomers

Introduction

The PFOA ECA Plenary session held on July 10, 2003, approved an action plan for the Telomer Workgroup to form a Technical Subgroup on Incineration test methods. This subgroup will assess the adequacy of available incineration test methods so as to inform a technical assessor on the details of Telomer thermal degradation and the potential concurrent formation of PFOA. Where needed, specific approaches to address the unique characteristics of Telomers and Telomer-based polymers will be agreed upon.

Goals / Objectives

The goals of this Technical Subgroup on Incineration Test Methods for Telomers are:

Identify the scope and goals of proposed incineration testing- work toward agreement on a testing protocol that would determine if incineration of Telomers is a potential source of PFOA at operating conditions that are representative of relevant types of waste incinerators.

Work toward identifying a list of representative Telomers and/or other Telomer-treated materials for incineration testing.

Work toward identifying temperatures at which to run the test(s) to represent operating conditions for relevant types of waste incinerators.

Work toward developing a testing protocol using well-accepted laboratory-scale incineration testing practices and suitable sampling and analytical techniques.

Report back to the Telomers Workgroup regarding the testing details that could be incorporated into an Enforceable Consent Agreement (ECA) for testing specific Telomer chemicals and/or other Telomer-treated materials.

Meetings

Meetings will be held at EPA Headquarters in Washington, DC. The initial meeting will be from 9:00 to noon on Thursday, August 14, 2003. Attendance may be via conference call or in person. Meeting materials will be distributed one week in advance of the meeting.

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**Technical Subgroup on Incineration Test Methods for Telomers
Tentative Agenda - First Meeting**

**Thursday, August 14, 2003
9:00 AM to Noon**

**EPA East, Room 4225
1201 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460**

- Discussion of Goals / Objectives
- Review of Recent Related Incineration Studies
- Key Elements of Proposed Test Protocol
 - Test Temperatures
 - Residence time
 - Sampling & Analysis
 - Other
- Criteria for choosing Telomer chemicals to be tested
- Data Quality Considerations
- Next Steps