MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO: File for 1-Chloro-2-nitrobenzene (CAS # 88-73-3)

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SUBJECT: Screening level for 1-Chloro-2-nitrobenzene (CAS # 88-73-3)

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The Initial Risk Screening Level (IRSL) for 1-chloro-2-nitrobenzene (CAS# 88-73-3) is $0.21 \ \mu g/m^3$ based on an annual averaging time. The IRSL was established on 2/8/1982 and is based on a Water Resources Division (WRD) literature review and derivation of a human oral carcinogenicity slope factor of 0.017 (mg/kg/d)⁻¹. This oral carcinogenicity slope factor is based on an increased incidence of liver tumors in female albino CD mice exposed via the diet for 18 months, followed by a three-month observation period (Weisburger et al., 1978).

Rule 231(1) was used to develop an IRSL for 1-chloro-2-nitrobenzene. The equation is below:

$$IRSL = \frac{1 \times 10^{-6}}{Unit \ Risk}$$

The WRD human oral cancer value of 0.017 (mg/kg/day)-1 found in the worksheet in Appendix A, attached, is converted to an inhalation cancer value using the equation in Rule 231(3)(f) below:

$$q_{1}^{*} ({}^{\mu g}/_{m^{3}})^{-1} = q_{1}^{*} ({}^{m g}/_{kg/day})^{-1} \times \frac{20 \, m^{3}}{70 \, kg} \times \frac{1 \, mg}{1000 \, \mu g} \times \frac{a}{b}$$
$$q_{1}^{*} ({}^{\mu g}/_{m^{3}})^{-1} = 0.017 \, ({}^{m g}/_{kg/day})^{-1} \times \frac{20 \, m^{3}}{70 \, kg} \times \frac{1 \, mg}{1000 \, \mu g} \times \frac{1}{1} = 0.000004857 \, ({}^{\mu g}/_{m^{3}})^{-1}$$

Using this value for the unit risk gives:

$$IRSL = \frac{1 \times 10^{-6}}{0.000004857 \, (^{\mu g}/_{m^3})^{-1}} = 0.205888408 \, {^{\mu g}/_{m^3}} = 0.21 \, {^{\mu g}/_{m^3}}$$

References

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Appendix A

See attached.