

NTP Proposes Changes to Process for Next Report on Carcinogens

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The National Toxicology Program is [accepting comments](#) on a revised process for reviewing substances that may be added to its widely cited "Report on Carcinogens." NTP is accepting comments up to Nov. 30th.

The [Report](#) is required by Congress to be published every two years, and is designed to provide information on substances that may pose a hazard to human health by virtue of their carcinogenicity. Substances are listed in the report as either known or reasonably anticipated human carcinogens. The 12th Report was published in June, 2011. But now, the NTP is proposing changes to the review process for listing substances in the 13th Report.

The NTP will hold a listening session on November 29, 2011, from 1–5 p.m. (EST), as well, to receive oral comments on the proposed review process.

Under the [proposed process](#), NTP says it would make its substance review process more flexible, and more descriptive of the reasoning it used to develop a proposed classification of an agent, and thus would summarize the relevant science and also the agency's reasoning about how the agent should be classified.

Toxic tort practitioners among our readers may want to take a look (and have their experts do so).