

Tentative Specification for 'Imaging Equipment'

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Background

In April of 2018 a tentative specification for Imaging Equipment was released by the Interagency Subcommittee. Comments on the tentative specification were received from the Healthy Schools Network who requested that a lead-free requirement be added and from the American Chemistry Council's North American Flame Retardant Alliance requesting changes to the 'Disclosure of Certain Flame Retardants' language.

In response to these comments, the following changes were made to the specification:

- An encouragement was added to purchase products meeting EPEAT Optional criteria 4.1.4.1 Reduction of Substances on the EU REACH Candidate List of SVHC's to provide a lead-free option. This was not added as a requirement due to concerns over product availability.

No changes were made to the 'Disclosure of Flame Retardant' language because it is an encouragement for bidders responding to solicitations to disclose the flame retardants used in the products offered and to offer products that meet flame retardancy standards without added flame retardants, and does not ban or prohibit flame retardants or products that contain flame retardants.

Based on the changes made to the tentative specification, it is recommended to the procurement subcommittee that the revised tentative specification be advanced to the interagency committee as a final specification.