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JULIA MORGAN BALLROOM

7:30 to 8:30 Compliance 101: How To Comply With Prop. 65

Instructors:

Renee Kalmes, Principal, Exponent
Kristi Morioka, Senior Staff Counsel, OEHHA
Kaya Allan Sugerman,
Illegal Toxic Threats Program Director,
Center for Environmental Health

Bios

Kristi Morioka

Senior Staff Counsel, OEHHA

Kristi Morioka is an experienced litigator and administrative lawyer. She joined the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) in October 2020. Under the direction of OEHHA's Chief Counsel, Ms. Morioka advises the Director, Executive Officers, and OEHHA staff on all legal matters. Her principal areas of practice include Proposition 65 implementation and developing and amending various regulations.

Prior to coming to OEHHA Ms. Morioka worked for the Judicial Council of California as counsel to the Civil and Small Claims Committee, and the Department of Healthcare Services as counsel for the Benefits and Eligibility division of Medi-Cal. And prior to that she was in private practice in Sacramento, California. Ms. Morioka is a Sacramento native and graduated from the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law, JD, California State University, Chico, MA, and Wichita State University, BA. She is a high school debate coach and mom to three funny kids.

Renee Kalmes

Principal, Exponent

Ms. Kalmes is a certified industrial hygienist with over 25 years of experience. In this role, she is responsible for designing, conducting, and managing technical studies addressing community, occupational and consumer exposure to chemical agents including asbestos, benzene, beryllium, chlorine, formaldehyde, lead and other heavy metals, pesticides, styrene, sulfides and chlorinated hydrocarbons.

Ms. Kalmes has prepared over 200 regulatory human health risk assessments for various properties, including former landfills, industrial, residential, recreational, and agricultural

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properties and schools, including Brownfields Sites addressing potential chemical exposure in air, soil, and groundwater. She has communicated risk results to a variety of stakeholders, including neighborhood, worker, and community groups. Ms. Kalmes has evaluated residential and commercial soil vapor intrusion issues through use of soil vapor modeling and air monitoring tools.

Ms. Kalmes also specializes in conducting and directing studies to assess potential exposure to consumer and personal care products including evaluation of lead, phthalates, silica, asbestos, benzene, toluene, cadmium, arsenic, ethyl benzene, formaldehyde, bisphenol A and flame retardants. She has developed sampling protocols to evaluate FDA, CPSC and Proposition 65 claims, specifically addressing dermal contact and incidental ingestion associated with hand-to-mouth activities, as well as naturally occurring lead claims in food products. She has provided exposure assessment and toxicology support for consumer product recall claims. Ms. Kalmes has assisted numerous companies in establishing compliance programs for CPSIA, as well as developing programs to address Proposition 65 compliance, restricted chemical listings, and green chemistry initiatives. Additionally, she has designed and directed studies to simulate and reconstruct chemical exposures associated with use and handling of consumer products in residential and occupational settings. She has also sampled and reconstructed historical exposure to a variety of volatile chemicals in residential and workplace settings.

Ms. Kalmes has taught numerous courses on risk assessment, industrial hygiene and toxicology at the University of California Extension Program and has developed and conducted more than 100 worker training programs. Ms. Kalmes has been an invited speaker at numerous professional conferences is frequently invited to speak and lecture on exposure assessment methods. Ms. Kalmes often interacts with local and state regulatory agencies and has testified as an expert in the area of industrial hygiene, Proposition 65 and exposure and human health risk assessment.

Academic Credentials and Certifications

M.S., Air and Industrial Hygiene, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1983

B.S., Environmental Science, Purdue University, 1981

Certified Industrial Hygienist, Comprehensive Practice since 1987

Kaya Allan Sugerman

Illegal Toxic Threats Program Director, Center for Environmental Health

Kaya comes to CEH with an academic background in international conflict resolution and political ecology, and experience working locally and internationally with research centers and NGOs focused on human rights and sustainable agriculture. In her spare time, she enjoys swimming in warm ocean waters (sadly, not found in the Bay Area), writing, dancing, and going on outdoor adventures with loved ones.