

FY 2008 Draft NPM Guidance: OPPTS Highlights of Key Changes from FY 2007 Guidance

Priorities and Strategies

Final FY 2007 Priorities	Draft FY 2008 Priorities
Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT)	
Lead	Lead
Pollution Prevention	Pollution Prevention
PCB's	-
Asbestos	Asbestos
HPV/VCCEP	-
Mercury	Mercury
Office of Pesticides Programs (OPP)	
Pesticides and Endangered Species	Pesticides and Endangered Species
Pesticide Worker Safety	Pesticide Worker Safety
FQPA/Strategic Agricultural Initiative (SAI)	FQPA/Strategic Agricultural Initiative (SAI)
Pesticides and Water Resource Protection Prgm.	Pesticides and Water Resource Protection Program
-	Pesticide Container/Containment Implementation

- For FY 2008, OPPTS proposed one new priority - Pesticide Container/Containment Implementation - as a result of the rule promulgated 8/16/2006.
- OPPTS is assessing opportunities for developing performance measures reflecting the contributions of OPPTS Regional Office resources towards the goals of the Roadmap for Mercury and is encouraging Regional Offices to pilot such measures in FY 2008.

Integration of Regional Priorities and Regional Priority Measures

National Program Managers (NPMs) were asked to review and evaluate regional priorities and measures as they developed their draft FY 2008 guidance, with the intent to align these to the greatest degree possible. Overall most NPMs found that the regional priorities and priority measures were closely related to national program priorities and measures. Specifically in the pollution prevention and toxic substances program:

- The guidance reflects cross-cutting considerations beyond the regional priorities and regional priority measures (RPMs). Environmental Justice and Children's Health programs as well as state, tribal and local concerns were considered. The guidance recognizes that flexibility in the established priorities and strategies will be required to accommodate regional, state, tribal and local concerns on a region-by-region basis.
- All relevant regional priorities are reflected in the Draft Guidance for FY 2008.
- 2 of the 3 relevant RPMs are identified as FY 2008 commitment measures:

- Average percent change in the utilization of reduced risk pest management practices over time as determined by the SAI Transition Gradient.
- Number of SAI collaborative actions that support the sustainability of American agriculture by working with others to address pesticide risk issues of Regional and National concern.
- The remaining relevant RPM directly aligns with the strategic plan and PART measures, though it is not included in the draft FY 2008 Guidance as an annual commitment measure: Number of childhood lead poisoning cases.

Through the implementation of the FY 2008 NPM guidance and planning for the FY 2009 guidance, OCFO will continue to work with the NPMs and regions to evaluate and strengthen these linkages.

Proposed 2008 Measures

- OPPTS proposed 23 annual commitment measures for FY 2008, 2 less than FY 2007. 12 of the FY 2007 measures were eliminated and OPPTS included 10 new measures for FY 2008, two of which are HQ-only measures.
 - Two new measures for Lead (state grant template and organizational assessment measures).
 - Nine new measures in the Pesticide Program reflect new and maturing priorities.
- Final P2 Measurement Guidance to be available in FY 2007 will provide a consistent framework for measuring Pollution Prevention accomplishments by the different contributors (*e.g.*, direct regional efforts, grants, partnership efforts).