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ATTACHMENT C

Screening Questionnaire for General Adult Consumer Focus Group

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Interviewer:	_____
Date:	_____
Letter sent:	_____
Reconfirmation Call:	_____

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**CALL FROM DATABASE OR AT RANDOM
RECRUIT 10 PER GROUP FOR 8-10 TO SHOW**

Hello, I'm _____ with _____, an independent consumer research firm. We are not selling or promoting any product or service. We are conducting a research study on behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency about providing information to help consumers select products that are safer for families, pets, and the environment, and would like to include your views. The annual public burden for this collection of information is estimated at 10 minutes per response. Responses will be private to the extent permitted by law. This is a voluntary collection, and respondents do not have to respond if there is no OMB control number. My questions will only take a few minutes.

1. First, do you, or does any member of your household or immediate family, work for or is retired from:

A market research company _____
A direct mail company or direct marketing company _____
An advertising agency or public relations firm _____
The media (TV/radio/newspapers/magazines) _____

[IF YES TO ANY >> THANK AND END]

2. Are you a chemist, chemical engineer, or organic farmer – or do you work for EPA, an environmental agency or environmental non-profit, or the organic food industry?

[IF YES TO ANY >> THANK AND END]

3. In a typical month, how frequently do you shop at a grocery store, natural food store, supermarket, hardware store, home improvement store (such as Home Depot or Lowe's) or general retail store (such as WalMart, Target, Costco, or Sam's Club) for your household?

4 or more times _____
2 or 3 times _____

THANK AND END >> Fewer than 2 times _____

4. Which of the following categories best describes your total annual household income? [GOOD MIX]

THANK AND END >> Under \$15,000 _____
\$15,000 - \$34,999 _____
\$35,000 - \$54,999 _____
\$55,000 - \$74,999 _____
\$75,000 - \$100,000 _____
Over \$100,000 _____

5. Please tell me your age.

[Record age; GOOD MIX OF AGES 21+]

6. What is your current marital status? Are you ?

Married or living with a partner _____
Single _____
Divorced _____
Widowed _____

7. What is the highest level of education you have completed? [GOOD MIX]

Less than high school graduate _____
High school graduate _____
Some college _____
College graduate _____
Post graduate studies or degree _____

8. Would you be willing to indicate your ethnic or race background (YES/NO?). If YES, are you ... ?

[Aim for 3-4 minorities]

Ethnicity

Hispanic or Latino _____
Not Hispanic or Latino _____

Race

American-Indian or Alaska Native _____
Asian _____
Black or African American _____
Native Hawaiian-Indian or Other Pacific Islander _____
White _____
Other _____

9. [Record gender] [Aim for half men, half women]

Male _____
Female _____

10. Have you ever attended a focus group discussion or individual interview? By that we mean an informal, round-table discussion, conducted by a professional moderator in which you were asked your opinions regarding a product, a service, or advertising?

>> ASK A-C >> Yes _____
INVITE TO GROUP >> No _____

- A. How many of these groups have you attended?
_____ [MAX. 3 EVER]
- B. What was/were the topics discussed?
_____ [IF CHEMICAL SAFETY, THANK AND END]
- C. How long ago was the last one of these groups you attended?
_____ [MUST BE AT LEAST 6 MONTHS AGO]

[THANK AND END]

Thank you for your interest in this research. Unfortunately, you have not met the eligibility criteria for the study. If you are interested in the EPA's programs to help consumers select products that are safer for families and pets and can help protect the environment, you can find more information at:
<http://www.epa.gov/dfe/>

[INVITE TO GROUP]

Thank you for answering all of my questions. As I mentioned earlier, we are conducting a research study regarding information to help consumers select products that are safer for families and can help protect the environment. We are conducting an informal, round-table discussion to be held on _____ at _____. The discussion will last about two hours and will be both fun and informative. No one will attempt to sell you anything and no one will call on you as a result of your participation. As a token of our appreciation for your help in our research effort, you will receive a \$75 incentive at the time of the session. This is an important research effort and we hope that you will be part of it. We can only invite about a dozen people to take part. Can we schedule your attendance?

[If yes, read]

If you need glasses for reading or for watching TV, please be sure to bring them with you to the group.

ID Number _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: (DAY) _____

(EVE) _____

(CELL) _____

(EMAIL) _____

Interviewer: _____

Supervisor Confirm: _____