

CHARTER

Technical Electronic Product Radiation Safety Standards Committee

Purpose

The Commissioner of Food and Drugs is charged with the Administration of the Radiation Control for Health and Safety Act of 1968. To assist the Commissioner in discharging her responsibilities under the Act, the Technical Electronic Product Radiation Safety Standards Committee (TEPRSSC), created by the Act, consults with the Commissioner regarding the protection of public health from radiation emissions from electronic products.

Authority

The Committee is established pursuant to the provisions of the Radiation Control for Health and Safety Act of 1968 (21 USC 360kk) and is also governed by the provisions of Pub.L. 92-463, as amended (5 USC App. 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

Function

This Committee provides advice and consultation to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs on the technical feasibility, reasonableness, and practicability of performance standards for electronic products to control the emission of radiation from such products, and may recommend electronic product radiation safety standards to the Commissioner for consideration.

Structure

The Committee consists of 15 members including the chair selected by the Commissioner for overlapping terms of 4 years. Five members are selected from governmental agencies, including State and Federal Governments, five members from the affected industries, and five members from the general public, of which at least one shall be a representative of organized labor. Members are technically qualified by training and experience in one or more fields of science or engineering applicable to electronic product radiation safety.

Management staff services are provided by the Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration.

Meetings

Meetings are held approximately once a year at the call of the Chair with the advance approval of a Government official who shall also approve the agenda. A Government official shall be present at all meetings.

Senior Associate Commissioner