Styrene Industry Lauds Proposed NAS Review of Styrene

(The Styrene Information and Research Center (SIRC) issued the following statement today on behalf of the U.S. styrene industry. This statement may be attributed in whole or in part to SIRC Executive Director Jack Snyder)

ARLINGTON, Va. Jan. 10, 2012 – “The U.S. styrene industry is pleased funding has been allotted for a scientific, peer review by the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) of styrene’s listing in the National Toxicology Program’s 12th Report on Carcinogens. Congress included the NAS review of styrene in its Congressional Conference Report on Appropriations for 2012.

The industry has long desired an NAS review of styrene because NAS is known for its thorough, sound and impartial evaluations. Recent assessments of styrene have been scrutinized and questioned as to their inclusiveness, transparency, and accuracy. A review by NAS, considered the ultimate federal authority on science, will aid in clarifying any concerns related to the safety of styrene.

For more information on styrene, how it is manufactured and used, its safety for consumers and industry employees, and current research, visit www.styrene.org and www.youknowstyrene.org.”

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