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## Memorandum

**To:** Animal Researchers  
**From:** Amber Bitters, Animal Handler Safety Officer, EHS  
**Date:** December 6, 2010  
**Re:** Proposed Rule for Placement of Propofol into Schedule IV

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The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has issued a proposed rule to place propofol, into schedule IV of the Controlled Substances Act (CSA). If this rule is finalized, this action would impose the regulatory controls and criminal sanctions of schedule IV on those who handle propofol and products containing propofol. Those regulatory controls include, but are not limited to the following:

- **Registration:** Registration would be required for anyone conducting research with propofol.
- **Security:** Propofol would be subject to the security requirements of schedules III-V, including locking the material in a substantially constructed cabinet.
- **Inventory:** All researchers who possess any quantity of propofol would be required to keep an inventory of all stocks on hand. For newly controlled substances, an initial inventory of all stocks on hand must be taken on the effective date of the rule which added the drug to the schedule of controlled substances.



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For additional information regarding this proposed rule, view the DEA website at [www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov](http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov). Please contact me at [bitters1@msu.edu](mailto:bitters1@msu.edu) or 432-5262 with any questions.

Thank you.