

### **Biography of Michael J. DiBartolomeis, Ph.D., D.A.B.T.**

Michael J. DiBartolomeis, Ph.D., D.A.B.T., who was appointed to manage the California Safe Cosmetics Program in 2006, also heads the Occupational Lead Poisoning Prevention Program in the California Department of Public Health. Dr. DiBartolomeis, a toxicologist by training, has over 25 years of professional experience in environmental and occupational health, risk assessment, and chemical policy development. Prior to joining the health department in November 2004, he managed the Pesticide and Food Toxicology and the Community Environmental Health Programs in the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment for over 15 years where he was responsible for addressing issues related to pesticide use and safety and community environmental health impact assessment. His professional interests include reforming chemical management policy in the United States and internationally to integrate principles of environmental justice, biological monitoring, and precaution into environmental and occupational public health decision-making. Dr. DiBartolomeis has also been active in the State's emergency response to several releases of chemicals in the environment, including the catastrophic spill of metam sodium into the Sacramento River following a train accident in 1991. He earned his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin in Madison, is certified in toxicology by the American Board of Toxicology, and has presented original research in over 60 publications.