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Mark your Calendars as the Conference will take place May 26 & 27, 2021
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MEMBER ATTENTION REQUIRED

CPCA MEMBERS: Compliance notifications have been sent to members over the past month. Below is a listing of industry issues that require your attention. Please check the CPCA Compliance Calendar regularly for important dates and deadlines, and monitor industry resources within the Canada CoatingsHUB™ which contain current information on emerging issues potentially impacting your business. If you have **not** yet activated your account or subscribed to receive these notifications, please notify **CPCA** immediately.

Chemicals Management in Canada Phase I

ECCC Regulatory Policy Section (RPS) Undertaking a Project to Create a Repository of All Canadian Government Regulatory Metadata

The hope is that this repository will help the government develop **digital solutions** to improve industry access to regulatory information. Early stages of this project will involve conducting a user experience study on the challenges and needs users have related to finding regulatory information. If you are interested in participating in these discussions with ECCC, or if you have any specific views to share regarding this new tool, please let CPCA know as soon as possible.

Final Regulations Amending the Ozone-Depleting Substances and Halocarbon Alternatives Regulations

The Amendment alters the consumption baseline value that is used to determine **HFC quantities** that can enter Canada under the phase-down process that started on January 1, 2019. The Amendment also aims to ensure adequate supply of HCFC-123 for use as a fire-extinguishing agent by extending its allowed period of consumption until 2029 for the servicing of existing equipment in service as of **December 31, 2019**.

Chemicals Management in Canada Phase I

Final Order Amends the DSL to Apply SNAc Provisions to BAPP (CAS RN 13080-86-9)

This **SNAc** imposes notification for any new activities using BAPP at more than 1000 Kg per year. However, the use of less than 10 000 kg in any one calendar year is not a significant new activity if the substance is applied in a spray booth, or an area that is enclosed or designed to capture overspray, and wastes are collected at the site of application. CPCA members should verify whether their current processes include BAPP and are targeted by the Order.

CPCA Summarizes Recent Performance Measurement Evaluation Reports for Multiple CEPA-Toxic Substance Groups

Several ECCC/Health Canada **performance measurement evaluation reports** for substances and substance groups found to be toxic under CEPA, mainly during the Challenge and with respect to legacy substances, have recently been published as part of the government's strategy to measure the performance of risk management instruments and inform the public of possible residual risks. The recent publication of evaluation reports refers to Bisphenol A, Isoprene, Lead, 2-Butanone Oxime (MEKO), Mercury, Poly-brominated Diphenyl Ethers (PDBEs), and Pigment Red 3. With the exception of the report

on MEKO addressing the control of risks from its use in paint and coatings products, all other performance measurement evaluation reports for health and environmental concerns concluded that the risk management objectives were being successfully met with no further RM action being required. Regarding the MEKO report, CPCA has been engaged with Health Canada officials to obtain changes to the wording and tone of the public online report that would further recognize industry's compliance efforts and reformulation challenges.

Chemicals Management in Canada Phase III

Publication of a Notice of Intent of SNAc

- **For 2-ethylhexyl 2-ethylhexanoate (CAS 7425-14-1)**
- **Amending SNAc Application for AEEA (CAS 111-41-1)**

Final Screening Assessment Report for the Poly(amines) Group Published

The **FSAR** concludes that all nine substances do not meet any of the toxicity criteria. No follow-up activities are planned at this time. Several substances are used in the paint and coatings industry.

Draft Screening Assessment Report for Silver and Its Compounds Published

The **seven substances** in this group do not meet any of the toxicity criteria. Two of these substances are believed to be used in the paint and coatings industry.

Draft Screening Assessment Report for Silanamine, 1,1,1-trimethyl-N-(trimethylsilyl)-, hydrolysis products with silica (TMSS) Published (CAS# 68909-20-6)

The **DSAR** proposes that TMSS does not meet any of the toxicity criteria under section 64 of CEPA. No follow-up activities are planned at this time. TMSS is primarily used as filler, suspending agent, emollient, and additive in the manufacturing of cosmetics, sunscreens, multipurpose cement adhesives, paints, as well as in industrial automotive applications.

DSAR and Risk Management Scope for the Aromatic Amines Group Published

The **DSAR** proposes to conclude that dimethylaniline (DMA, CAS RN 121-69-7) meets the toxicity criteria for human health concerns and the persistence criteria. Meanwhile the other substances in the group are not proposed to be toxic, although SNAc measures will be considered for NDPhA (CAS RN 86-30-6) and 2-aminophenol (CAS RN 95-55-6). Exposure to DMA occurs from the use of certain automotive products available to consumers (including a 2- component adhesive, body filler and spray paint primer). The CPCA EHS committee members were alerted and asked to communicate any concerns with respect to DMA (proposed risk management scope) and the two other substances.

Draft Screening Assessment Report for Thallium and its Compounds Published

The **DSAR** proposes to conclude that the 5 compounds in this group are toxic under section 64(a) of CEPA and recommends that they be added to the List of Toxic Substances

CMP Post-2020/CEPA Legislative Review

Government's Consideration of Plastics/Microplastics in Possible CEPA Amendment Expected in Coming Weeks

Last January, ECCC published the **Draft Science Assessment** of Plastic Pollution that proposed the application of the precautionary principle for microplastics. CPCA provided comments stressing the current lack of solid scientific foundation and robust risk assessment knowledge for any short-term approach on microplastics. Government now seems intent to further consider the addition of “plastics” as a broad CEPA-toxic category to CEPA Schedule I. Many Canadian associations including CPCA and ACA, joined efforts to send a message to Canadian Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade to urge against this particular action. There is now industry speculation that Canada will move ahead with listing plastics as toxic under CEPA within the next few weeks. CPCA, ACA and other associations believe that by doing so, Canadian regulators would be marching out well ahead of the current scientific evidence on plastics. Industry has been recently urging the government to adopt different strategies to address plastic pollution such as focusing on **waste management**.

CPCA Publishes June 2019 CMP Science Committee Meeting Summary

The **SC meeting** focused on new approaches for integrating chemical fate, spatial, and temporal scales in exposure assessments for chemicals under CMP in Canada. The SC suggested options for implementing the expanded use strategy of exposure models in the short-, medium-, and long-term. Specific areas that would benefit from R&D, such as to expand the domain of chemicals for which the models are applicable to include ionogenic compounds, and UVCBs etc.

Biocide Preservatives, Treated Articles

PMRA Provides a 60-day Extension to the Consultation on the Proposed Decisions for Six Paint Preservatives

To ensure all CPCA members have enough time consolidating all necessary input and comments, CPCA requested that the comment period for the PMRA proposed re-evaluation decisions for the paint cluster analysis be **extended by an additional 60-days**. PMRA recently postponed the 90-day deadline of October 7 to December 6.

Supply Chain Management, Management Information & International Initiatives

CPCA Submits Comments on the Now-Lifted Canadian Countermeasures to the US Tariffs on Canadian Aluminum

CPCA members assessed the possible impact of **Canada's retaliatory countermeasures** on aluminum tariffs imposed on two broad categories (*Tariff 3212.90.00: Pigments Used in Manufacture of Paints and Dyes* and **Tariff 7603.20.00: Aluminum powders of lamellar structure; aluminum flakes**). CPCA filed a submission on behalf of members asking to provide category exemptions for the paint industry. A day before the countermeasures were to take effect, the US dropped its tariffs. However, the US will revisit its position at the

end of year should they see a “surge” in non-alloyed aluminum imports from Canada.

Sept. 9-11 International Road check

Members were warned ahead about this event. CPCA will report the results in the CoatingsHUB.



NOW LIVE CPCA's CMP SUBSTANCE DATABASE

CPCA's Substance Database is NOW LIVE on the Canada CoatingsHUB, complete with over 1,100 CASE related chemicals, sorted by CAS-RN, providing members the current status on chemicals in commerce and any changes being considered.

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COMPLIANCE IN A CLICK

The CPCA Compliance Calendar is a members only tool on the HUB. The calendar displays all survey and consultation end dates for national regulatory proposals as well as all final dates for the coming into force of specific regulatory actions affecting or possibly affecting CPCA members.

[OPEN COMPLIANCE CALENDAR](#)



CPCA ISSUE TRACKING

Chemicals Management in Canada

Two Final Orders Amend the DSL: 2020-87-11-01 & 2020-112-13-01

Final Order 2020-87-11-01 amends the DSL to add 13 substances. Final Order 2020-112-13-01 amends the DSL to add one living organism.

Order 2020-87-11-02 Deletes CAS RN 6591-53-3 from the NDSL: This Substance Is Now on the DSL

CAS RN 6591-53-3 is deleted in Part I of the NDSL.

CCME Environment Ministers Discuss Sustainable Economic Recovery and Complete Action Plan Phase 2 on Zero Plastic Waste

The **Phase 2 Action Plan** targets the remaining result areas of the Strategy that address actions to reduce plastic pollution and serve as enablers to achieve the goal of zero plastic waste.

Chemicals Management Plan Phase 2

Final Guidelines Published for Disperse Yellow 3 and 25 other Azo Disperse Dyes

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Code of Practice Published for Certain Methylenediphenyl Diisocyanates (MDIs) in Spray Polyurethane Foam Products

The **Code applies to low-pressure two-component spray polyurethane foam** (SPF) products containing the 5 MDIs substances in Table 1. Supplier members are urged to review product offerings containing these substances.

Chemicals Management Plan Post-2020

ICG Submits Letter on CEPA Reform and CMP Renewal Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic

ICG's position is that the flexibility of CEPA allows much to be accomplished under the current legislation accompanied by appropriate policy innovations as the ability to evolve is built-in to the CMP. ICG believes that the Government can focus on completing the work already committed to under the CMP and any proposed changes must be consistent with the efforts made to date and not explore new directions as these changes can be enabled without any changes to the CEPA statute.

Chemicals Management Plan Post-2020/Management Information/Supply Chain

CPCA Alerts Members of Opportunity to Participate in the Testing of Blockchain Technology Prototypes for Supply Chain Transparency

Officials from Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED)'s Testing Stream Program (formerly the Build in Canada Innovation Program) have asked ECCC if their stakeholders would like to experiment with this technology. The Testing Stream Program helps leading Canadian entrepreneurs commercialize their products, by providing support to test pre-commercial goods and services in real-life settings. ISED is looking for ECCC and their stakeholders to participate in the testing phase of Blockchain prototypes and are hoping to start in the fall of 2020. The purpose of this testing is NOT to develop a government system, or to endorse a particular technology, but rather to **explore the feasibility of Blockchain innovations** for supporting supply chain communication and resilience, and to help Canadian innovators gain insights in to real-world applications.

International Initiatives

Reminder: TSCA Evaluation Identifies Unreasonable Risk for 16 Uses of 1-bromopropane

The uses facing regulation in the US include:

- Eight categories of industrial and commercial uses, including in adhesives and sealants, in dry cleaning applications and as a solvent for cleaning and degreasing in several settings;
- Seven types of consumer uses including liquid cleaners and stain removers, automotive care products, anti-adhesive agents and aerosol spray degreasers and cleaners; and one processing application – incorporation into a formulation, mixture or reaction product.

ACA to Host Webinar for ACA Members to Discuss Acceptable Risk Mitigation Measures for 1-bromopropane and Methylene Chloride.

[Government Risk Evaluation](#) | [CPCA Resource](#)

German Survey Confirms Narrowing Choice of in-can Preservatives Negatively Affects Building Trade, Furniture Construction, Packaging and Printing Inks, and DIY Market

The [survey](#) confirms that alternatives to the traditionally most common active ingredients – isothiazolinones (which are skin allergens) and formaldehyde donors (which are being classified as a category 1B carcinogen) – are scarce. Options to completely avoid in-can preservatives are also few and often come with adverse side effects. The survey states that the approval process should be made quicker and governments need to support R&D in this field.

EPA Releases Long Overdue Updates of Toxicity-Values Based on Sound Science

The EPA chemicals office is, for the first time, [releasing its own toxicity values](#), as part of the risk evaluations required by the amended [TSCA](#). The new numbers are expected to clash with other toxicity values, some decades old, by the previous EPA IRIS program. The EPA, along with state and local officials, use these values to determine air, water, waste, and other regulations. Companies use them too to manage chemicals at facilities.

FEDERAL REGULATORY UPDATES

Federal-Provincial

Canadian Parliament Prorogued

The second session of the 43rd parliament is scheduled to open at 2 p.m., on [September 23, 2020](#). The Throne Speech should give a better sense of the government's intended

policy/legislative agenda going forward.

Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement Published in the Canada Gazette Part I

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DSAR Petroleum Coke Group Published in the Canada Gazette Part I

The [Draft Screening Assessment for the Petroleum Coke Group](#) was published for a 60-day public comment period ending on November 18, 2020. No CASE-implicated substances expected.

Ministerial Condition No. 20381 Targets CAS RN 97862-59-4

The notifier [shall not manufacture or import the substance](#) unless

- (a) the concentration of CAS RN 109-55-7 in the substance is less than 0.01% w/w; and
- (b) the concentration of fatty acid amidopropyl dimethylamine impurities in the substance is equal to or less than 1.5% w/w.

Proposed Residential Indoor Air Quality Guidelines for Carbon Dioxide

The consultation ends on [October 23, 2020](#).

Canada's Hydrogen Strategy Expected in Fall 2020

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Competition Bureau Launches Toolkit to Help Policymakers Strengthen Competition in Canada's Economy

Pro-competitive policies can help [accelerate economic recovery](#).

Strengthens Relationship with Five Foreign Countries to Enhance Cross-border Enforcement

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NACE Launches Corrosion IMPACT Study for the Canadian Economy

The six industry to participate in the study include [120-150 respondents](#) from the manufacturing, mining, energy, transportation, marine, and municipal sectors.

Free Special Sessions for the XXII World Congress on Safety and Health at Work on October 5-6, 2020

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CP Recognizes Safe Shippers

45 shippers transported at least 500 carloads of hazardous materials (non-intermodal) with [zero Non-Accidental Release incidents in 2019](#).

Conference Board of Canada Publishes Canadian Healthiest Provinces to Live In in Terms of Average Life Expectancy

[B.C., Ontario and Quebec](#) lead the group.

COVID-19

- **Online Course Provides Guidance on Returning to Work Safely**
- **CCOHS Podcasts:**
 - **Workplace Inspections During the Pandemic and Maintaining Our Health When Working Remotely**
 - **Free New Infographic to Download: Controlling COVID-19 in the Workplace**
- **Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy: An Updated Guide for Businesses**
- **14-day Mandatory Isolation Requirements following Entry into Canada Extended Until September 30**
- **Prohibition on Entry to Canada from a Foreign Country Other than the U.S. in Effect until September 30**
- **Your Employees Refuse to Wear Masks – Now What?**

PROVINCIAL REGULATORY UPDATES

Ontario

New Paint Recycling Regulations Coming in Ontario

CPCA was successful in securing 100% of the \$15 million in surplus funds for paint companies in Ontario. Those funds were accumulated in overcharges to paint companies by Stewardship Ontario from 2010-2015. Ontario is in the process of transitioning the waste diversion program for Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste (MHSW) to full producer responsibility with a new regulation to be finalized by June 30, 2021. CPCA continues to participate in consultations on the new regulation reviewing definitions of materials and responsible persons; possible management standards; promotion and education; collection and consumer accessibility; and registration, reporting and auditing. CPCA made a formal submission to the MECP and continues working toward a reasonable and fair regulation for the paint industry in Ontario as paint companies must pay 100% of the costs for recovery and meet established waste recovery targets for leftover paint.

Ontario Seeking Feedback on Proposed Hazardous Waste Regulatory Changes

The proposed changes would include amending R.R.O. Regulation 347 (General -Waste Management) under the Environmental Protection Act to require the regulated community to provide reporting information to the Authority instead of to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, as they currently do. The amendments would also include changes to registration and reporting requirements to support electronic service delivery such as, removing the annual registration requirement, and certain general housekeeping changes to provide more clarity throughout.

A new regulation would also be created under the **Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act** related to fees that would carry over fee exemptions for certain activities from R.R.O. Regulation 347, which would maintain the current fee exemptions when such fee-related responsibilities are transitioned to the Authority. The ministry would continue to maintain compliance, enforcement, and program and policy oversight of the Hazardous Waste program.

Ontario Workplace Inspection Blitz Planning for This Fall

For construction, industrial, and mining, [Phase 1 and 2 of the Healthy workers in healthy workplaces](#) – occupational disease blitz will take place this fall; For education, outreach and awareness from October 1 to December 28. Inspection blitz will take place from November 2 to December 28. Inspection blitz on workplace violence in industrial quarters are planned in Winter 2021.

COVID-19

- PRIMED Medical Products to Locate New Medical Mask Manufacturing Facility in Cambridge, Ontario
- [Alert Mobile App Now Available](#)
- [Restart Series Webinar: Financial Restructuring of a Business in Challenging Times](#)
- [Emergency Leave and Suspension of Temporary Layoffs Extended to January 2021](#)

Quebec

Montreal Holding Company Fined \$260,000 by ECCC for CEPA Violations

The company [violated the PBC Regulations](#) (transformers exceeding 500 ppm, not adequately disposed of after a received order).

Important Modifications to Québec's Environmental Permitting Regime

Several regulations governing the implementation of the environmental authorization scheme were enacted on September 2. The Regulation identifies activities subject to ministerial authorization (moderate risk) and those that are eligible for a declaration of compliance (low risk) or an exemption (negligible risk). High-risk activities are already mostly governed by the Regulation respecting the environmental impact assessment and review of certain projects, but further clarified. The Regulation will be enforced on December 31. See new guide and summary.

The four regulations published as a result of the Environment Quality Law modernization include

- [Landfilling and incineration of residual materials and Clean Air Regulation Amendments](#)
- [Municipal wastewater treatment works Amendment](#)

Four More Quebec Regions, Including Montreal, at 'Yellow' COVID-19 Alert Level

CPEQ et Environment and Climate Change Canada Panel to Discuss Green Recovery on October 20

Atlantic Provinces

New Brunswick Encourages [Mask Wearing](#) in the Workplace

Yukon

Western Provinces

The Alberta Recycling Management Authority consulted on fee changes for certain materials in 2020

The adjustment in fees in Alberta for aerosols resulted from the Government's modernization of its recycling regulations in December 2019. ARMA launched a 90-day implementation phase from August 1 – October 30 to ensure producers and suppliers adjust their financial systems to new fees that will take effect on November 1. CPCA and its members were provided an opportunity to comment and agreed with the level of fees being considered which is in line with the national average for such products.

Saskatchewan Announces Updates to GHG Offset Program

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Manitoba Publishes New App: DRIVR-X at Work

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Alberta Establishing Joint Funding for Testing Energy-efficient Innovation/Technology in the Construction Sector

This funding will be used to [establish a network of test buildings for SME construction firms](#) to develop innovations in energy-efficient construction through testing, commercializing and adoption of new products and technologies.

Alberta Biz Connect Web Page Provides Health and Safety Guidelines for General Workplaces and Specific Industry Sectors

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British Columbia

WorkSafeBC Virtual Public Hearings on Proposed Amendments to be Held on September 30

The proposed amendments relate to Parts 6, 8, 16, 18, and 21 of the [Occupational Health and Safety Regulation](#).

Canada Invests in B.C.'s Electric Vehicle Network

This federal funding through the Electric Vehicle and Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Deployment Initiative and the Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program, will help achieve net-zero emissions by 2050 and B.C.'s goal to [reduce emissions by 80 per cent by 2050](#).

Delay of Provincial Tax and Carbon Tax Implementation Dates

To help with the COVID-19 recovery, implementation dates are being delayed to [April 2021](#).

U.S. REGULATORY UPDATES

Chemicals Management

EPA Release Final List of TSCA Fees Concurrently with Final Scope Documents

This [EPA release](#) of the final scope documents marks the beginning of the risk evaluation process.

Recent EPA Computational Toxicology Communities of Practice Presentation

[QSAR models](#) are developed and validated using experimental (i.e., in vitro or in vivo) toxicity data. However, variability in experimental toxicity data introduces limitations in the development, evaluation, validation, reliability and regulatory acceptance of computational models. Characterization of various sources of data variability, adequate incorporation of variability in computational model development, and quantification of data-driven uncertainty in model predictivity are critically needed to improve the reliability and acceptance of computational models.

California Prop 6 Carcinogen Identification Committee to Meet on Seven Chemicals or Chemical Groups for Prioritization

They are [Bisphenol A](#), [Coal dust](#), [Decabromodiphenyl ether \(DecaBDE\)](#), [PFOS](#) and its salts.

Microplastics: ACC Underlines Inaccurate Media Coverage of New Research

The [American Chemistry Council](#) released a statement regarding inaccuracies in recent media coverage by The Guardian of microplastics research, which was then spread by other media. It was reported that microplastics were found in random samples of human organs, while university researchers intentionally added microplastics to human tissue samples as a part of their research efforts to develop new detection methods.

US EPA Seeks Public Engagement, Input on TSCA Risk Management Options

The [EPA launched a public outreach campaign](#) to educate and engage with stakeholders on the upcoming TSCA rulemaking process to manage identified risks. Two webinars are scheduled this month. The EPA is working to finalize 10 risk evaluations while it only completed the first two (methylene chloride, 1-bromopropane). It identified more than 60 conditions of use across both substances that would require RM rules within two years.

EPA Published Final Significant New Use Rules (SNURs)

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California Issues Notice of Adoption of Reference Exposure Levels for Toluene

The [Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment](#) (OEHHA) is adopting new Reference Exposure Levels (RELs)

Health and Safety

Reminder: OSHA Proposes Change to Electronic Record-Keeping Rule

On **July 30**, **OSHA** issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to eliminate the requirement for large establishments to electronically submit information from Forms 300 and 301. OSHA's rule refers to "establishment" size, not overall employer size. The comment period ends on **Sept. 28**. The plan was released in **July 2020**.

DOL Issued a Field Assistance Bulletin Explaining Employers' Obligations for Tracking Compensable Hours Worked by Non-exempt Remote Employees

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COVID-19: US State Policy Report – September 2-4, 2020

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Product Stewardship

U.S. Plastics Pact Vows to Make All Plastic Packaging Recyclable by 2025

More than 60 major brands, government agencies and non-profits are coming together to create a **circular economy for plastics**. See also more info on the global Alliance to End Plastic Waste (AEPW).

Environment

Safer Products Program Moves into Phase 3 in Washington State

Washington State has entered phase three of its **Safer Products programme**, with roughly two years to consider regulations and study alternatives to reduce the use of substances of concern in eleven consumer product categories including paints and printing inks containing PCBs. The agency has until June 2022 to determine its regulatory actions.

Trade/Enforcement

National Conference of State Fleet Administrators Spearheading a Seismic Shift in Helping State Government Vehicle Fleets Become Completely Sustainable with Zero-emission

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Key Differences in Employment Law Between Canada and The United States

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ACA: FTC Proposal Regarding "Made in the USA" label statements to Lead to Enforcement and Scrutiny of Unqualified Claims under the MUSA Labeling Rule

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INTERNATIONAL REGULATORY UPDATES

International

22 Hazardous Chemicals Added to European Regulation on Imports and Exports

Exporters of the **22 substances** now have to notify their designated national authority before exporting. In most cases, consent from the importing country is needed.

ACA: Challenges and Developments with the Upcoming EU Ban of PFOA

Effective July 4, the EU put forth a regulation requiring a limitation of no more than 25 parts per billion of PFOA in PTFE micro-powder. This poses a challenge to coatings importers, as many raw materials will possibly be banned. Although there is an exemption for thermal-treated or irradiated PTFEs for another two years, there will be a need to use PFOA REACH-compliant or PTFE-free coatings.

Center for International Environmental Law and International Pollutants Elimination Network Call for Worldwide Chemicals Tax

They proposed a global 0.5% tax based on chemical manufacturing volume. **ICCA is firmly opposed.**

The Covid-19 Crisis and the European Green Deal to Accelerate Shift Towards More Sustainability

The **European Commission** is continuing to consult stakeholders on priority issues in relation to Europe's new growth strategy, the European Green Deal, which shall enable the transition to a digital and green society. The strategy is ambitious (to be carbon neutral by 2050).

Turkish REACH Registration Period for All Substances All Tonnage Bands Starts January 1, 2021

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China: Increased Data Requirements Likely for 90% of Higher Tonnage New Chemicals

The American Chemistry Council (ACC) and industry experts have raised concerns that the majority of new substances will meet the criteria for persistence under China's revised overarching chemical regulation for new chemicals, MEE Order 12, and therefore be subject to the increased data requirements laid out in the draft guidance.

UK REACH Data Submission Deadlines Extended to up to Six Years

The UK government has **extended the deadlines** for full data submissions under its independent REACH framework, giving businesses up to six years – instead of two – to complete registration dossiers. The British Coatings Federation (BCF) welcomed recent proposed changes to the forthcoming **UK REACH** regime as a small but welcome step in the right direction but warned that these changes alone will not be enough to prevent the coatings sector – and wider chemicals industry – from being hit hard financially under the new post-Brexit regime.

Chemquest Bio-based Coatings Overview Showing Increasing Activities

The market is still too small for reliable data to be available (5 % market share in sales and 1 % in volume). Only two countries in the world stand out: Netherlands and Switzerland (such as the Umweltetikette label that requires companies to prove that their paints and varnishes contain 95 % renewable raw materials).

List of Persistent Organic Pollutants Updated

The organochlorine pesticide dicofol (EC 204-082-0, CAS 115-32-2) was added. The entry for perfluorooctane sulfonic acid and its derivatives (PFOS) was also amended.

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