



California Prop 65 Updates and Emerging Issues: What Lies Ahead?

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Presenter Biography

Ms. Reid is a Principal Scientist and senior environmental chemist within Gradient's product stewardship practice, bringing over three decades of expertise in the evaluation and interpretation of laboratory data. Her extensive experience encompasses the design and quality assurance oversight of sampling and analysis programs, as well as assessing the validity and applicability of chemical data. At Gradient, Ms. Reid applies her expertise in areas such as microplastics, consumer product safety assessments, California Proposition 65, Third Party Profiling (including EPA Safer Choice, GreenScreen for Safer Chemicals®, and ChemFORWARD), green chemistry, and chemical hazard evaluations. In addition, she provides technical support for projects related to litigation, human health and ecological risk assessments, data quality assurance, and inorganic and organic data interpretation. Her prior hands-on laboratory experience and understanding of preparation and sampling techniques enhance her ability to interpret analytical data generated across a diverse range of projects.

Presentation Abstract

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California's Proposition 65 regulation presents significant and often confusing compliance hurdles for manufacturers. During this presentation, we will delve into the evolving landscape of Prop 65 and discuss important changes to the short form warning label requirements and what this means for pro-active labeling strategies. We will also cover recent changes to the Prop 65 chemicals list, focusing on Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), Bisphenol S, and vinyl acetate and discuss some strategies for analytical testing and exposure evaluation in light of these changes. A critical aspect we will also explore is trends in 60-day notices, particularly for substances like PFOA, PFOS, PFNA, and diethanolamine (DEA) in various consumer goods. The absence of a Safe Harbor Level (SHL) for these constituents adds another layer of complexity for product manufacturers striving to ensure compliance with the regulations. This session will provide recommendations and guidance for unraveling the challenges and insights brought forth by these recent updates.

Key Learning Objectives

- Inform attendees about the more recent updates to Prop 65 and how the updates might affect them.
- Provide recommendations and guidance for helping attendees evaluate whether they are compliant with the regulations, as well as guidance for navigating and responding to a 60-day notice.