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Partnering with Sponsors and Exhibitors

We will soon be releasing information about our 2023 Annual Meeting's Sponsor and Exhibitor opportunities. We are excited to once again be in person in Arlington, Virginia for an extended fiveday event. If you would like to be added to our contact list for sponsor and exhibitor offerings, please write schcadmin@schc.org.



News from OSHA

- In Conjunction with National Small Business Week (April 30 -May 6, 2023), OSHA promotes its On-Site Consultation Program
- Secretary Marty Walsh addresses President Biden's fiscal year 2024 budget

Mark Your Calendar

March 31, 2023 - Last Chance for Call for Presentation Abstracts

NEW April 20, 2023 - CHCS Webinar: Overview of the Key Labelling Changes Proposed Under CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 & The Challenges These Pose for the Chemical Industry

April 26, 2023 - SCHC Member Monthly Forum: Current US TSCA Policies That Have An Effect On Hazard Communication

NEW May 24, 2023 - SCHC Member Monthly Forum: Canadian Regulations

NEW June 28, 2023 - SCHC Member Monthly Forum: Asia Regulatory **Updates**

NEW June 28-29, 2023 - CHCS Distance Learning: Advanced Preparation of SDS(EU&UK)

SAVE THE DATE September 30- October 5, 2023: SCHC Annual Meeting at the Crystal Gateway Marriott

Find Member Discount Codes under the SCHC.org menu's Resources tab



2023 Board Election Winners

Thank You to our Departing Board Members

2023 Board Election Winners

Thank you to everyone who voted in the recent 2023 Board election. Your vote and your voice matter to our organization's future. We had a competent field of candidates and we congratulate the winners. On April 1, 2023, we welcome Dr. Lori C. Burry, Anne DeMasi, Dr. Allan Jemi-Alade, and Ann Johnson to the first day of their two-year term.



Thank You to our Departing Board Members

Thank you very much, Kirsten Alcock, Panagiotis "Noti" Mikroudis, and Dr. Robert Skoglund for your Board service, with current terms ending March 31, 2023. Your combined 37 years of service, in addition to your volunteerism on your path to Board leadership, have been instrumental to many of SCHC successes. We are honored to have received your time, thoughtfulness, and expertise. We look forward to your continued involvement and camaraderie as Members.

Thank you!

Thank you to our Board Members whose terms end March 31, 2023. Your volunteerism and leadership made a tremendous difference.



Robert S. Skoglund, Ph.D. Served 1996-2023, including service as President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer





New SCHC Logo Policy

Presentation Abstracts
Due March 31

Awards at the Annual Meeting

Favorite Newsletter Feature?

New SCHC Logo Policy

A new policy for logo use has been put into place. If you or your company use the SCHC logo please take a moment to review the policy. The new policy is found on the bottom of the web site's Terms and Conditions of Use page

Presentation Abstracts Due March 31

Your last chance to submit your Presentation Abstracts form is this week. SCHC is actively seeking ideas for the 2023 Annual Meeting plenary session. We invite prospective subject matter experts to complete a Call for Presentation Abstracts form and submit it for consideration by March 31, 2023. This year's event is a five-day program



in Arlington, Virginia, with expanded education, networking and more.

Awards at the Annual Meeting

We're busy planning for the Annual Meeting, and one of the time-sensitive items we need is your award nominations. Each year, award winners are announced during the Annual Meeting.

Visit <u>schc.org/awards</u> and complete an <u>award</u> <u>nomination form</u>. You can submit an award nomination for more than one person. The form can be downloaded and emailed to Member_Engagement@schc.org.



Favorite Newsletter Feature?

What is your absolute favorite newsletter feature? We're refreshing our newsletter and we need to know what features matter to you most. Please email the Newsletter Committee at Member_Engagement@schc.org.



Members-Only Monthly Forums

Get Registered for the next Members-Only Monthly Forums

The SCHC Member Engagement Committee has scheduled forums for April, May June, August, September and October. You can access all of the information via www.schc.org/meetings.





CHCS Newsletter

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Certain Products
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CHCS Newsletter & Trainings

SCHC Members can view the latest CHCS newsletters by logging into SCHC.org, visiting the <u>schc.org/CHCS</u> page, and scrolling to the newsletter section. Members must be logged in to access this benefit. In the March edition of CHCS' newsletter, readers can find articles about:

- CHCS, Council and Sub-Committee Vacancies
- CHCS Publishes Updated SDS User Guide (Version 4)
- The Windsor Framework
- The EU 21st ATP to the CLP Regulation
- Proposed Update to the Regulation (EU) No. 10/2011 on Plastics Food Contact Materials
- REACH test methods updated in Annex to Regulation 440/2008
- The French Government appeals the annulment of the harmonized classification and labelling of titanium dioxide
- The United States Federal
 Trade Commission has
 extended the deadline for submitting comments on the
 "Green Guides" to 24 April 2023.
- Training Courses & Workshops
- News from Our Partners

Canadian VOCs for Certain Products Regulations Webinar

On April 4, 1 pm - 2:30 pm ET, a complimentary webinar is being offered by the Canadian Consumer Special Products Association (CCSPA) and the Household and Commercial Products Association (HCPA) regarding the *Canadian Volatile Organic Compound Concentration Certain Products Regulations* which comes into force January 1, 2024. Learn more and get registered: https://www.thehcpa.org/open-events/



The Great Complexity of International Chemical Inventories

The Great Complexity of International Chemical Inventories

Part 1 of a series contributed by Chandra Gioiello, VP, IHSC, LLC

It's so common. You get a call from sales. They want to sell a product into a new market and want to know if that's okay. So, you must approach the question from two directions. One is to make sure that your SDS and labels are compliant with the requirements in that country. The other is to make sure that the product is legally allowed to be sold in that country by complying with that country's chemical inventory requirements.

That second issue is one that is far more complicated than many in sales understand. The issue is that there is not one single way to handle chemical inventories and even countries that seem to have similar setups can have very different implementations of that setup.

The REACH Model

Probably one of the forms of international chemical regulation that our members are most familiar with is the REACH model. Started in the 1990s, this system took the old EINICS system and completely revamped the whole thing. They started from scratch. The plan was to require manufacturers and importers to provide vast amounts of information on the nature, hazards, and uses of chemicals being sold into the EU. This would then allow the member states to better understand the nature of these chemicals and to restrict their use and sales as they felt was appropriate. I recall attending an ECHA conference back when this was starting and was told, by an ECHA speaker, that there would be no trade implications from this regulation. I literally laughed. The only companies that can register chemicals in the EU are European-based entities, and if you are outside the EU, you must work through an Only Representative. If your raw material is being manufactured in another EU member state, you can import it into your member state at any volume.

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However, if you reach out of the EU to purchase that same raw material, you either must go through the registration process yourself or have your supplier work through an Only Representative. I can easily see trade implications there.

The biggest outcome of this system has been a positive one in my mind. It has vastly increased our access to information about the chemicals in trade. We now have access to studies that were never published formally, and can much better classify our products, even if we are outside of the EU. However, due to the high overhead of the process of putting together all of this information, the cost to introduce a new substance into the EU market can be extremely high. There is often an argument between the importer and the manufacturer as to who must bear the cost of preparing the registration. There are ways to avoid the registration through volume exemptions, but this can be tricky. There are some substances that are exempt from registration, including naturally occurring substances, but identifying what is and isn't a naturally occurring substance can be tricker than you might think. Crystalline silica is naturally occurring, but not all crystalline silica is from a natural source. Many fragrance ingredients are derived from natural sources but can be characterized as complex mixtures or as single substances depending on a company's approach. So the "naturally occurring" exemption isn't as cut and dry as it may initially appear.

So while this approach provides us with more information, it is far from perfect. Many proposed classifications don't align with the data presented. There's an even larger gap between Harmonized Classifications that come from the old EU system. Many times, these classifications are directly contradicted by the data in the registration.

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ECHA: REACH Webinar

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You have something with a mandatory classification of Acute Toxicity Oral Category 4 while the most reliable study indicates an LD50 Oral Rat of 20,000 mg/kg. While this is understandable in some cases (methanol is a good example,) often it is just a problem of classifications ported in from a system that pre-dated mandatory data submissions. And while these issues may technically be confined to the region in which they apply, often you find that those issues trickle down into other markets. Many times I've had to argue with other entities that mandatory classifications in the EU don't apply in the US. I will apply them if they are supported by the data, but sometimes that data is contradictory. And it isn't just an issue of over-classification. Often specific concentration limits are not supported by data as well so you can end up under-classifying your product. So, while these systems should result in data-driven classifications, that isn't always the case. Read part two in the April newsletter.

ECHA: REACH Webinar

The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) invites all stakeholders to a <u>webinar</u> "Restriction of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs)" taking place on April 5, 2023, 11:00-13:00 Helsinki time (GMT+2).

The six-month consultation on the proposed universal restriction of PFASs began March 22, 2023. The consultation is open for anyone to give evidence-based comments on the restriction proposal. This webinar serves as an info session to explain the restriction process and help those interested to take part in the consultation. The event will be streamed from their YouTube channel, EUchemicals. No registration required.

You are able submit questions to the expert panel before the event via <u>this page</u>.



Health Canada: Amendments to the Hazardous Products Regulations

CA Prop 65 Intent to List

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On February 22nd, Health Canada broadcasted a webinar that discussed the changes to the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR), how the Health Santé changes align with the 7th edition of the GHS, the adoption Amendments to the Hazardous **Products Regulations**

of new physical hazard class, and clarified information on existing HPR provisions. The general transition period Vebinar on the amendments to the *Hazardous Products Regulations* (HPR) February 22, 2023 requires all stakeholders to be in compliance with the amendments by December 15th, 2025.

Watch the recorded webinar Read the slides

CA Prop 65 Intent to List

The California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) shared this recent notice:

Notice of Intent to List Chemicals by the Labor Code Mechanism: 1.1.1-Trichloroethane and Leucomalachite Green The OEHHA intends to list the substances above as known to the state to cause cancer under the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act (Prop 65). A public-comment period closes April 3, 2023.

One example of leucomalachite green in the environment: Malachite green (MG) is an effective topical fungicide used in the

aquaculture industry. MG absorbed by fish tissue is metabolically reduced to leucomalachite green (LMG), which is lipophilic and can be stored in edible fish tissues for an extended period of time. It is, therefore, likely that the majority of violative residues present in fish will be in the form of LMG.1



Workplace Hazardous Products Program

Canada

1. https://www.fda.gov/food/laboratory-methods-food/laboratory-informationbulletin-lib-4363-malachite-green-and-leucomalachite-green-fish-and-shrimp



Consultant Listing Spotlight

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SCHC is often asked for HazCom referrals and we created a Consultants List that can be readily shared from our website's Resources tab: <u>Hazcom Consultants</u>. Throughout 2023, we will

be showcasing consultants.
Our first spotlight is on trainer
Paula Reavis.

Can you tell us a bit about yourself?

I am an experienced hazardous materials and dangerous goods transport trainer and owner of Reavis Compliance Company. In another life, I was a contractor for Monsanto Company and in the public school system as a high



Paula Reavis

school science teacher and Nationally Board Certified Counselor (NBCC). My bachelor's degrees are in Secondary Science Education and Chemistry from North Carolina State University and a master's degree in counseling from East Carolina University. Paula lives in the St. Louis, Missouri area with her husband, Drew.

How long have you been involved in Hazcom?

Since 2009, when I started working with Dave Peters at Monsanto Company writing Safety Data Sheets and Labels.

What brought you to Hazcom?

Honestly, job changes along the way opened this door for me. After so many years in the public school system I was looking for a change, and that change happened to put me in the Hazcom world.

How did you first become involved with SCHC?

As part of my professional development at Monsanto, I came to my first ever meeting in 2010.

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Consultant Listing Spotlight (continued)

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How have you been involved with SCHC?

At the start, it was just in a standing member capacity attending meetings and taking classes. My 80-hours of training plaque was awarded in 2014. Eventually I served as co-chair of what was the Membership and Awards Committee. When my role changed to that of a transport trainer, I stepped back for a few years but rejoined in 2021.

Why did you decide to join the Consultants Listing?

As a small business owner, having your name out there is important. Plus I believe in what SCHC provides to all of its members and wanted to be a part of providing any help possible to members.

What kind of Hazcom or regulatory compliance solutions do you offer as a consultant?

I am well versed in the 49CFR Parts 100-185, IATA, and IMDG transport regulations and have more than a passing familiarity with OSHA HazCom2012 and WHMIS2015.

How has being on the SCHC consultants listing helped your business?

It hasn't helped yet, but I believe in our members and know when the time is right someone will reach out to me.

Who to Call for Help: <u>Consultants</u> serve a wide variety of chemical hazard communication needs as well as product stewardship in general. Areas covered include but are not limited to:

- GHS regulations
- Labeling requirements
- Hazardous material transport / training
- SDS authoring
- Chemical regulatory databases
- TSCA regulations
- Litigation support





REGULATORY NIOSH News

NIOSH News

As a NIOSH Alliance partner, we frequently share updates that they publish or which reinforces their mission.

CDC Acquires 465-Acre in Mace, West Virginia for Research for Research Facility The new National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Underground Mine Safety and Health Research Laboratory will support research programs focused on miner safety and health issues.

New Training Video Available for Firefighters: Challenges and Tactics for Fighting Row House Fires Densely-populated housing means firefighters need special training and resources.

Struck-by incidents are the second leading cause of workplace deaths and the leading cause of nonfatal injuries among construction workers. Join the National Stand Down to Prevent Struck-by Incidents

One size does not fit all: Lack of proper PPE for women is dangerous Baggy and ill-fitting gear can lead to new hazards, forgoing protection, and lack of confidence

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