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# **Celebrating a Successful First**

We started off the first forum of the year with a packed virtual house and we're grateful to our members and guests for being a

part of the free event, *HazCom and Toxicology - Understanding the Studies that Drive the Classifications*. Our forums return to a Members-Only benefit for the remainder of 2024 and we recommend members get registered soon for the upcoming events.



February 14th Forum: <u>All Your Transport Questions Answered</u> March 27th Forum: <u>EU/UK Update</u>

## News from OSHA

- OSHA civil penalty amounts adjusted for 2024
- <u>Advisory Committee on Construction Safety and Health will meet</u> on Feb. 21-22 in Washington
- <u>Post your 300A Data February 1—April 30, Submit Injury &</u> <u>Illness Data to the Injury Tracking Application by March 2</u>

### Mark Your Calendar

NEW February 14, 2024 - SCHC Forum: <u>All Your Transport</u> Questions Answered NEW February 27, 2024 - SCHC Distance Learning: <u>Multi-Modal</u> Dangerous Goods Classification Refresher NEW March 27, 2024 - SCHC Forum: <u>EU/UK Update</u> NEW March 29, 2024 - SCHC: <u>Last Day to submit a Presentation</u> Abstract for 2024 Annual Meeting NEW May 15-16, 2024 - CHCS Distance Learning: <u>Advanced</u> Preparation of Safety Data Sheets (EU & UK) September 21-26, 2024 - <u>SCHC Annual Meeting</u> *Find <u>Member Discount Codes</u> under the SCHC.org menu's Resources tab* 



SCHC Call for Presentation Abstracts

From SCHC Newsworthy

### **Call for Presentation Abstracts**

The SCHC Program Committee issued a Call for Presentation Abstracts to encourage stellar HazCom subject matter experts to share their expertise in Charlotte, NC this autumn during the SCHC Annual Meeting. Presenters are encouraged to visit the Program Committee page to learn more and submit their abstract **by March 29, 2024**. Know a fantastic presenter? Share this opportunity with them.



## From SCHC Newsworthy

The SCHC Member Engagement Committee receives newsworthy information from readers, like you, and SCHC Board and Committee members via Member\_Engagement@schc.org. SCHC Admin Lori Chaplin helps keep our website visitors up-todate by sharing valuable HazCom content to the <u>SCHC</u> Newsworthy page.



This month, several items were added including <u>Canada's January</u> <u>2024 WHPP newsletter</u>. This edition highlighted a new set of technical decision trees and so much more. Also posted was the Report of the <u>United Nations Sub-</u>

Committee of Experts on the GHS 45th Report from the December 2023 meeting and an Important DGTA Update from the 63rd Session of the United Nations meeting including Lithium Batteries.



SCHC CHCS Newsletters

### **CHCS Newsletters**

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.

### **December Edition**

- The European Parliament and Council reach a provisional agreement on the text for the revision to the EU CLP Regulation
- Draft EU Community Rolling Action Plan published for 2024-2026
- ECHA identifies risks for PVC additives and microparticle releases
- EU-wide enforcement project found one in three biocidal products checked were not in compliance
- CHCS Module 81, new CLP Hazard Classes
- Training Courses & Workshops
- New from Our Partners

## **January Edition**



- DEFRA Consultation and Call for Evidence on reforms the governance of waste electrical and electronic equipment
- The import and export of chemicals subject to the Prior Informed Consent Regulation continues to increase
- Call for Comments on the scientific report for occupational exposure limits for Bisphenol-A
- Training Courses & Workshops
- New from Our Partners



REGULATORY EPA Adds Seven PFAS to TRI

### **EPA Adds Seven PFAS to TRI**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) <u>announced</u> the automatic addition of seven per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) to the list of chemicals covered by the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI). The seven PFAS were added to the TRI list



pursuant to the Fiscal Year 2020 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), which provides the framework for the automatic addition of PFAS to TRI each year in response to specified EPA activities involving such PFAS. For TRI Reporting Year 2024 (reporting forms due by July 1, 2025), reporting is required for these seven additional PFAS, bringing the total PFAS subject to TRI reporting to 196.

## Addition of PFAS with final toxicity values

- Ammonium perfluorohexanoate; Chemical Abstract Service Registration Number (CASRN) 21615-47-4
- Lithium bis[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl] azanide; CASRN 90076 -65-6
- Perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA); CASRN 307-24-4
- Perfluoropropanoic acid (PFPrA); CASRN 422-64-0
- Sodium perfluorohexanoate; CASRN 2923-26-4
- 1,1,1-Trifluoro-N-[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl] methanesulfonamide; CASRN 82113-65-3

# Addition of PFAS no longer claimed as confidential business information

• Betaines, dimethyl(.gamma.-.omega.-perfluoro-.gamma.hydro-C8-18-alkyl); CASRN 2816091-53-7.



REGULATORY

TSCA: EPA Evaluates Five Substances

January is National Radon Action Month

### **TSCA: EPA Evaluates Five Substances**

EPA <u>announced</u> that it is beginning the process to prioritize five additional toxic chemicals for risk evaluation under the nation's premier chemical safety law. If, during the 12-month long statutory process, EPA designates these five chemicals as High Priority Substances, EPA will then begin risk evaluations for these chemicals.

EPA plans to prioritize the following chemicals for risk evaluation under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA):

- Acetaldehyde (CASRN 75-07-0),
- Acrylonitrile (CASRN 107-13-1),
- Benzenamine (CASRN 62-53-3),
- 4,4'-Methylene bis(2-chloroaniline) (MBOCA) (CASRN 101-14-4), and
- Vinyl Chloride (CASRN 75-01-4).

## January is National Radon Action Month

"Radon is a serious public health risk. Fortunately, there are easy steps you can take to protect your family and ensure that

the air you breathe at home is healthy," said EPA Deputy Administrator Janet McCabe in a <u>press release</u> on epa.gov. "Testing for radon is easy and inexpensive and I encourage everyone to test, fix, and save a life during this year's Radon Action Month." The EPA campaign of *Act Now: Text, fix, save a life* encourages home radon testing and provides resources via their



page <u>epa.gov/radon</u>. The site has resources for individuals, families, home buyers and sellers, as well as, schools, builders and contractors.

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that accounts for approximately 21,000 lung cancer deaths annually.



REGULATORY CA Prop 65 Updates

### CA Prop 65 Updates

The California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) shared the following Proposition 65 notices:

### **Bisphenol S (BPS) to the Proposition 65 list** Effective December 29, 2023, bisphenol S (BPS) was **added** to the



Prop 65 list as a reproductive toxicant. The warning requirement for significant exposures to BPS will take effect on December 29, 2024.

**Notice of Intent to Amend Conflict of Interest Code** The OEHHA is <u>proposing amendments</u> to Title 2, Section 54700 of the California Code of Regulations with a comment period closing February 26, 2024.

Proposed Amendments to Regulations Clear and Reasonable Warnings, Safe Harbor Methods and Content California Code of Regulations OEHHA <u>held</u> a public hearing on December 13, 2023 to hear the public comments on proposed amendments to Title 27. Video and transcript are now available. The purpose of the proposed amendments is to

- amend existing sections of the safe harbor warning regulations for consumer products exposures,
- make the short-form warnings more informative and to clarify other aspects of these regulations,
- provide additional signal word options for safe harbor consumer product warnings and adjust the type-size requirements for short-form warnings, and
- adopt four new sections that would provide tailored safe harbor warnings for passenger or off-highway motor vehicle parts exposures and recreational marine vessel parts exposures.

#### REGULATORY

CA Prop 65 Updates (continued)

21st ATP to CLP Published

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### CA Prop 65 Updates (continued)

**No Significant Risk Levels (NSRL) for Ethylene Oxide** OEHHA had <u>issued</u> an extended comment period for ethylene oxide. The numerical values of the proposed NSRL are 0.058 micrograms per day for the inhalation route and 1.5 micrograms per day for the oral route. Submitted comments can be viewed <u>here</u>.

### 21st ATP to CLP Published

CHCS shared that the 21st Adaptation to Technical Progress (ATP) to the Regulation on the classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP) has been published. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2024/197 of October 19, 2023 is amending Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 as regards to the harmonised classification and labelling of certain substances. This regulation shall enter into force on January 25, 2024 and shall apply from September 1, 2025. The full text of the ATP can be found <u>here</u>.

### ECHA Adds Five Chemicals to Candidate List

On January 23<sup>rd</sup>, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) <u>added</u> five new chemicals to the Candidate List. They show concerns for reproductive, toxic and/or bioaccumulative properties. They are found in products such as inks and toners, adhesives and sealants and washing and cleaning products.

- 2,4,6-tri-tert-butylphenol
- 2-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-4-(1,1,3,3-tetramethylbutyl)phenol
- 2-(dimethylamino)-2-[(4-methylphenyl)methyl]-1-[4-(morpholin-4-yl)phenyl]butan-1-one
- Bumetrizole
- Oligomerisation and alkylation reaction products of 2phenylpropene and phenol
- Dibutyl phthalate (updated entry)

### SCHC

NIOSH Spotlight -ONDCP Launches New Recovery Ready Workplace Toolkit

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### NIOSH Spotlight - ONDCP Launches New Recovery Ready Workplace Toolkit

Earlier this month, NIOSH <u>shared</u> that the federal government launched a new resource to help businesses be recovery-ready for employees affected by substance abuse. The <u>Recovery-</u> <u>Ready Workplace Toolkit: Guidance and Resources for Private</u>



and Public Sector Employers was released as the newest addition to the Recovery-Ready Workplace Resource Hub. Substance abuse in the workplace can have both direct and indirect consequences with short and long-term effects. Having a plan can help identify risks and prepare team members on how to address many related aspects, including managing substances in the workplace, exposures, and Naloxone in the workplace.

The development of the Hub and toolkit was spearheaded by the White House's Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and the Domestic Policy Council in collaboration with twelve federal departments and independent agencies, including NIOSH.

### MEMBER ENGAGEMENT AND NEWSLETTER REMINDER

Please send all newsworthy newsletter topics to the Member Engagement Committee by email to Member\_Engagement@schc.org.