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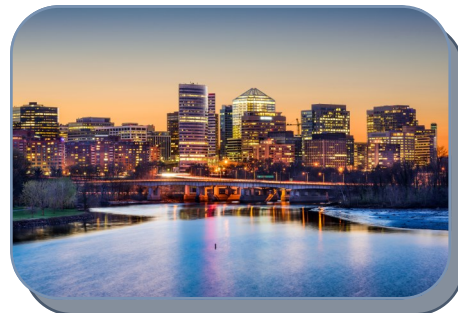
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SCHC 2019 Fall Meeting Begins September 21st

We're looking forward to seeing everyone in Arlington! We want to send a special thank you to everyone who is part of this event.

We encourage everyone to get the most out of this time together; ask lots of questions during the Professional Development Courses, join the awards ceremony and networking opportunities, cheer on those taking the AIHA exam, connect with other attendees through the app and in person, meet leaders in the industry, and so much more!



Download the SCHC App Before You Go

SCHC's meetings are paperless. The SCHC app is a great way to get course materials, manage your time, and network with others. Install the app through the Google Play Store or Apple Store.

Mark Your Calendars

October 16 - December 4, 2019 - [SCHC Webinar Series](#):
Introduction to Chemical Management in Latin America

November 20, 2019 - [CHCS 25th Annual General Meeting & 8th Annual Lectures](#) in England (Member Rates available)

March 28 - April 1, 2020 - SCHC Spring 2020 Meeting at the Charlotte Marriott City Center, Charlotte, North Carolina

September 19-23, 2020 - SCHC Fall 2020 Meeting at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel, Arlington, Virginia



REGULATORY

Chemical Management Webinars

OSHA RFI for Silica

Introduction to Chemical Management in Latin America Webinar Series

During October, November and December, SCHC will be hosting several webinars that discuss regulations and issues regarding chemical management in several Latin America countries.

To learn more and get registered for one or more of these webinars, visit www.schc.org/meetings or explore the links below:

[Argentina—October 16th](#)

[Brazil—October 23rd](#)

[Chile—October 30th](#)

[Colombia—November 6th](#)

[Panama—November 20th](#)

[Peru—December 4th](#)



OSHA Request for Information (RFI) for Updated Silica Standard

Recently, an OSHA RFI was issued regarding Respirable Crystalline Silica Standard for Construction. The comment deadline for this RFI is October 14th, 2019. [Read the OSHA Trade Release here](#). OSHA is seeking information regarding:

- the effectiveness of engineering and work practice control methods not currently included for the tasks and equipment listed on Table 1;
- tasks and equipment involving exposure to respirable crystalline silica that are not currently listed on Table 1, along with information on the effectiveness of engineering and work practice control methods in limiting worker exposure to respirable crystalline silica when performing those tasks; and
- additional circumstances for which it would be appropriate to permit employers covered by the silica standards for general industry and maritime to comply with the silica standard for construction.



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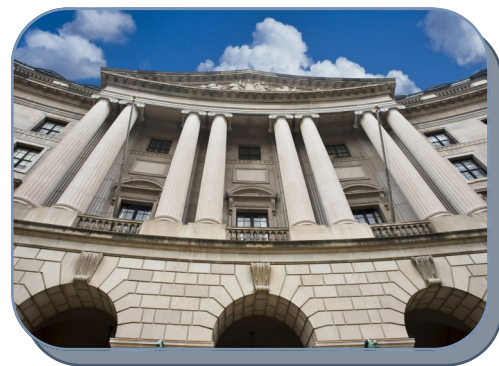
EPA RFC for Low-Priority
Chemicals

EPA & Glyphosate
Labeling Requirement

EPA Request for Comment (RFC) for 20 Chemicals under TSCA

In August, EPA proposed that 20 chemicals be added as Low-Priority Substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and has opened a 90-day period to comment. The deadline to submit a comment is on or before November 13th, 2019. Information about the 20 chemicals and RFC can be found on the [Federal Register Notice of Availability and Request for Comment](#). The [complete list of chemicals](#) being considered can also be viewed on EPA's website. The list includes a screening review and rationale for the proposed Low-Priority Substance designation.

This activity is a [milestone](#) for EPA's commitment to update the TSCA.



EPA Requests CA Prop 65 Registrants Correct Glyphosate Labeling

A [letter](#) from EPA states that it will no longer approve product labels claiming that glyphosate is known to cause cancer, stating that it is a false claim that does not meet the labeling requirements of the *Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act* (FIFRA). Since 2017, EPA and the State of California have differed on the research classifying glyphosate as a probably carcinogen and, in 2018, EPA filed a preliminary injunction to stop California from enforcing state warning requirements that EPA deemed false or misleading.

Registrants with glyphosate products currently bearing Proposition 65 warning language should submit draft amended labeling that removes this language within 90-days of the EPA letter.

For more information, read the EPA news release "[EPA Takes Action To Provide Accurate Risk Information to Consumers, Stop False Labeling on Products](#)" (8/8/2019).



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EUSES Biocide Update

ECHA “No Brexit” Advice

EUSES September Updates Biocide & Risk Assessment

The European Union System for Evaluation of Substances (EUSES) is a software that was developed for risk assessment of industrial chemicals and biocides. EUSES version 2.2.0 will be available for download later this month from the ECHA website. This is the first major update since *Biocidal Products Regulation* was adopted in 2012.

On October 17th, there is a [webinar](#) scheduled that will cover the new and updated environmental emission scenarios for biocides, the new emission pathway of direct releases to the environment, and the new version of the SimpleTreat model (4.0).



ECHA Warns Companies about “No Brexit” Scenario

The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) is urging companies to prepare for a “No Brexit” scenario, which effectively turns the UK into a “third country” as of November 1, 2019. The deadline to reach a deal is currently October 31, 2019.

Impacted manufacturers, importers, and Only Representatives should review the ECHA’s step-by-step instructions on how to transfer REACH registrations. To get these instructions and read more about the “No Brexit” scenario, [visit this page](#).



ECHA has also compiled an [FAQ for companies](#) which may help to clarify questions and communicate to clients and stakeholders about the upcoming deadline and associated changes.



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Heritage

The President's Gavel – Chapter 6 of the SCHC Story

contributed by Sharen B. Breyer – SCHC Heritage Committee

Without an actual physical location, and no salaried officers or Board of Directors members, SCHC doesn't have much in the way of the traditional trappings of office that can be found in other Societies or trade associations. No imposing office. No fancy desk. No paneled Board Room. No portrait hallway. But we DO have one very special symbol of the SCHC Presidency – the gavel. It is a unique item with an interesting story.



If you recall from Chapter 1 of the SCHC Story, SCHC sprung from the Labels and Precautionary Information Committee (LAPI) of the Manufacturing Chemists Association (MCA). The LAPI Committee was the primary authority for chemical labeling in the USA, from its inception in 1944 until its official dissolution in 1978 when the MCA was transitioning and reorganizing as the Chemical Manufacturers Association (CMA). As part of that internal reorganization, CMA condensed 26 standing committees into 10, with the LAPI Committee disbanded and folded into the new CMA Occupational Health Committee.

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Heritage (continued)

The President's Gavel – Chapter 6 (continued)

The dissolution of the LAPI Committee as a discreet unit left those whose day-to-day activities were focused on chemical labeling with no forum to meet and discuss chemical labeling issues with fellow practitioners, and that vacuum lead to the April 25th, 1979 meeting at the Ramada Inn in Essington, PA and the formation of the American Conference on Chemical Labeling (ACCL). When the official announcement of Incorporation of the ACCL as a stand-alone entity came on May 5, 1982, the former LAPI Gavel was presented to newly elected ACCL President James J. Trexel to use for that meeting, and all subsequent meetings, of our Society.

The gavel itself has this inscription: **MADE OF WOOD FROM THOS. JEFFERSON'S ESTATE MONTICELLO CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA Presented to LAPI Committee By J. Williamson Chairman 1956-58**

The box that holds the gavel has a story, too.

The gavel did not come from the LAPI with any kind of a container, and it remained that way for 14 years. When Dan Levine became SCHC President at the Spring meeting in Fort Lauderdale, FL in March of 1996, he was given the gavel by outgoing President Linda Hanavan as the traditional SCHC sign of leadership.



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Heritage (continued)

The President's Gavel – Chapter 6 (continued)

Concerned about getting the gavel home without damaging it, Dan carefully wrapped it in clothing before putting it into his carry-on bag. (Rumor had it that it was wrapped in underwear – FAKE NEWS!)

Upon arriving home, Dan asked his father if he could make a case to carry the gavel in so it would not be damaged in transit. Mr. Levine was a pretty handy guy, and soon found some nice pieces of wood that would make a good case. He also had some cushioning material for the inside. He hand-crafted the case so the gavel would not be accidentally damaged when carried to a meeting the next time the gavel was passed to a new president. That case - with the date and initials of the craftsman - has been used ever since.



Interestingly, the gavel and case can no longer travel with the SCHC President in his or her carry-on luggage, as it can technically be considered a WEAPON (a hammer!). Instead, it resides in the possession of SCHC Administrator Lori Chaplin, and is shipped by Lori to each Spring and Fall location with all other meeting materials.

Next installment – WHERE WE HAVE BEEN

Member Spotlight — Katherine Sullivan

As this edition's spotlight, SCHC Outreach Committee member Erin Weir introduces us to SCHC Member Katherine "Kate" Sullivan. Erin interviewed Kate during the [Poster Session](#) at the Spring Meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Kate co-presented a poster with Dr. Elizabeth Dederick: "[Can the European Union's Specific Concentration Limits for Skin Sensitization be used in the United States and Canada?](#)"



Kate Sullivan

Q: "What's your name and what do you do?"

A: "I'm Kate Sullivan, I'm with knoell in the USA department, and I do chemical regulations for them."

Q: "So how is the poster session going for you?"

A: "It's going great. There seems to be a lot of interest in it, so that's great."

Q: "And how are you enjoying SCHC so far?"

A: "I'm really enjoying it. There have been some great sessions, and I'm learning a lot, so it's been a really good time."

Q: "Why do you love SCHC? What do you love about it?"

A: "I think that it's a great place to exchange information, learning new things about regulations not just here in the US but abroad which is fascinating. Even just doing this poster I got some feedback from people from Germany, which is amazing. And I like that you feel part of an organization, and it's a small knit organization that has that kind of family feel."

Kate has more than 15 years of experience working in health and environmental sciences. She is actively involved with EU's [REACH](#) regulation program, and has experience with compliance in the U.S., Canada, New Zealand, the European Commission, and elsewhere.

She earned her Masters of Environmental Health and Industrial Hygiene at the University of Michigan. Kate received a Bachelors of Comprehensive Science from Villanova University, where she graduated cum laude with a minor in Business.



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Livestream the 2019 Spring Meeting

Networking Event Info

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Livestream the SCHC 2019 Spring Meeting

Can't attend the SCHC Fall Meeting? Register to livestream Tuesday morning's plenary session! Our fantastic speakers include [Maureen Ruskin](#) and [Sven Rundman](#) of OSHA, Kim Godard of Health Canada | Santé Canada, [Paul Brigandi](#) of CGI, and Rich Engler of Bergeson & Campbell, P.C.

Learn more and [register for the webstream](#). Registration is \$120 for non-members, and \$95 for SCHC members. Members should check their emails for the discount code.



You're Invited to the SCHC Networking Events

If you are in Arlington for the Fall Meeting, join fellow attendees/guests for some casual downtime and dining adventures. Meet the SCHC host in the lobby of the Crystal Gateway Marriott before each event.

September 21st - Matchbox Pizza in the Pentagon Mall

September 22nd - Enjera

September 23rd - Legal Seafood (in The Buchanan)

Check your SCHC app or visit the [2019 Fall Meeting Networking Events](#) web page for details.



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