Chemical & Environment Considerations in Product Safety

Chemical Safety Regulations – An overview

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Global Pressures on Chemical Users

x polyvinyl chloride x persistent & bioaccumulative

chemicals

* azo dves

* endocrine disruptors?

⊗ more chlorinated solvents

⊗ small particles

- × lead
- * halogenated flame retardants

* hexavalent chromium

- * mercury
- × cadmium
- ⊗ some chlorinated solvents ⊗ selenium
- ⊗ Ni/Cd batteries
- ⊗ some pigments
- & carbon black
- **volatile** organics
- ⊗ heavy metals (packaging)
- ⊗ arsenic

Banned

Regulated

x asbestos

1975

1985

⊗ ozone

1995

2000

2005

2009

X SVHC

X CMR

X PBT



Regulatory Drivers — US

- US Federal Laws
 - U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)
 - Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
 - Kid-safe chemicals act? (US proposal)
- Federal Hazardous Substances Act
- Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act
- TSCA Reform
 - Kid safe Chemicals Act (proposed)
 - EPA chemical action plan





Regulatory Drivers — US

- US State Laws
 - CA Proposition 65
 - Kid-safe products act (Maine)
 - Various State laws
 - Similar laws Michigan, Massachusetts
 - CA Green Chemistry
 - WA High Priority Chemicals List
 - Alternatives Assessment
 - Toxic Use Reduction





Regulatory Drivers – EU Market

- EU Directive
- Dangerous substances and preparations Directive
- Market and Use Directive (76/769/EEC) e.g. Azo (2002/61/EC), Nickel release (94/27/EC), NP/NPEO (2005/53/EC)

- Member State Laws
 - Swedish Product Safety Ordinance
 - EEA Norway POHS

- REACH
- Classification, Labeling and Packaging (CLP)







Other Drivers

Green / ECO Labels

Brand Differentiation

- Business ethics and social responsibility
- Greater awareness of eco-brands
- Under pressure from consumer-protection advocates



EU Eco-Label



US Green Seal



Nordic Environmental Label



Germany Blue Angel



Oko-Tex Standard 100 Eco-Label



Japan Eco-Mark



Other Pressures CLIENT, PUBLIC, INVESTOR DRIVEN



World's largest retailer US \$375 billion sales 7,250 stores

"Provide to our customers affordable and effective products where all chemical ingredients are preferred for Mother, Child and the Environment"



Global Pressures: Investors



Shareholder resolutions on chemicals (2006-08):

2: Chemical makers

10: Product makers

16: Retailers

28: Total

Competitive advantage: who wins, who loses?



"Whack a Chemical"





Shift in Chemical Policy

- Prescriptive to Performance based
- Comprehensive and integrated approach towards toxic and hazardous substances
- Assessment based on inherent toxicity (hazards), uses, functions, and potential exposures
- Prioritize phase out higher toxicity chemicals first
- Safer alternatives
- Drive innovation through policy
- Benign by design



Beyond TSCA

- TSCA Reform: The Senate Safe Chemicals Act of 2010
 - House *Toxic Chemicals Safety Act of 2010*



- "CS" explicitly includes any CS in an article
 - Mixture" explicitly includes any mixture contained in or formed into an article





TSCA Reform: Safety Determination of Chemicals

- Law would apply to "chemical substances": "any organic or inorganic substance of a particular molecular identity," with certain exceptions. Definition includes "articles."
- All chemical substances ultimately subject to EPA determination of whether chemical meets an established safety standard.
- Burden is on manufacturers and processors to prove a chemical substance meets the safety standard.
- EPA must determine whether manufacturer/processor has satisfied the burden of proof generally within 180 days after submittal of required data.
- EPA's determination whether the safety standard has been met would have to be supported by a risk assessment based on "best available science".

TSCA Reform: New Chemical

Section 5 - New Chemicals

- Notice required with "new use"
- EPA determines if not reasonably anticipated to present risk or that safety standard has been met
- Upon EFA determination, commence production and notify EFA

Section 4 - Testing

- Minimum Data Set (MDS)
 - hazard, exposure and use
 - · may provide for varied or tiered testing
- Submit MDS
 - 18 months after listing on priority chemical list OR
 - 5 years after enactment
- May require additional testing as needed

Section 8 - Declarations and Information Gathering

- Declarations by manufacturers and processors
 - . Within 1 year of enactment
 - Declarations every 3 years or whenever new information is available
- By rule or order, any person to submit records to assist EPA in safety determination
- Inventory listing



Section 6 - Risk Management

- Within 18 months, EPA establishes priority list of at least 300 CS/Ms
 - EPA determines whether manufacturer or processor has shown safety standard has been met and adds additional CS/Ms to priority list;
- EPA can make the following findings:
 - More information is needed
 - Manufacturer can generate and submit information OR
 - EPA can determine CS/M does not meet standard
 - CS/M meets safety standard
 - EPA to post determination on public website
 - · Certain conditions are needed to meet safety standard
 - One year to implement conditions
 - Manufacturers can request critical use exemption
 - EPA to post determination on public website
 - CS/M does not meet safety standard
 - One year to stop manufacture, processing and distribution
 - Manufacturers can request critical use exemption

section 6(b)(2)
explicitly indicates
industry has 'burden
of proof' that
Chemical Substance/
Mixture (CS/M)
meets safety
standard.

Process repeated every fifteen years, or with new information that impacts safety determination.

Testing requirement

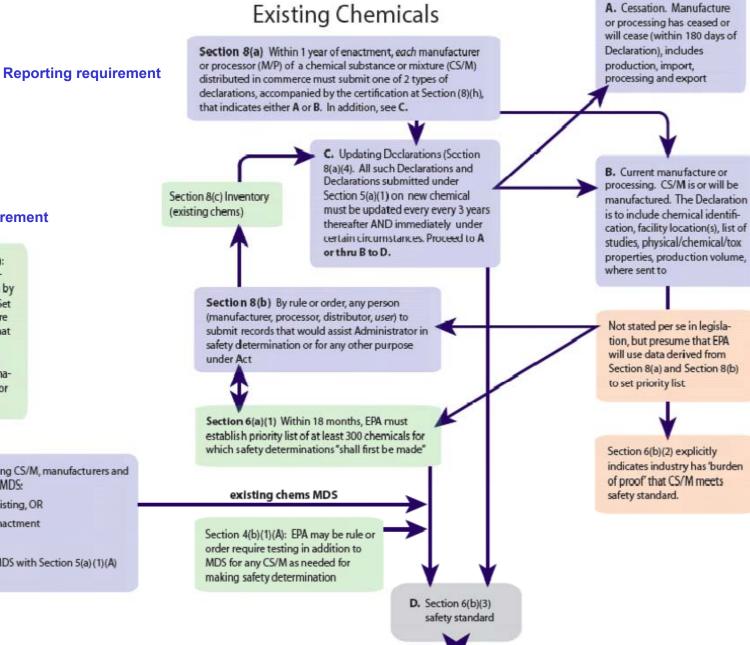
Testing. Section 4(a)(1): within 1 year after enactment, EPA shall establish by rule the Minimum Data Set (MDS) of hazard, exposure and use info on CS/Ms that EPA considers useful in conducting Section 6(b) safety standard determination. Rule may provide for varied or tiered testing

Section 4(a)(2), for existing CS/M, manufacturers and processors shall submit MDS:

- . 18 months of priority listing, OR
- · 5 years after date of enactment

whichever is earlier.

For new CS/M, submit MDS with Section 5(a) (1) (A) notice





Original: Substantive "Unreasonable Risk"

Proposed: Reasonable Certainty of No Harm"

- Move to precautionary principle
- Burden on industry to prove chemicals are safe
- Authority to demand data and testing
- Priority list of chemicals with highest concern
- No movement since the bills were introduced.
 - Highly political issue with the state of the economy
 - Federal legislation possible in 2011-2012

Stay Tined!



State Safe Chemicals, Prioritization Legislation

- CA, ME, WA, OR, CT, MN (Starting 2012)
 - CA Green Chemistry Initiative
- WA State Children's Safe Product Act (CSPA)

Source: www.chemicalspolicy.org



Prioritization

Prioritization criteria:

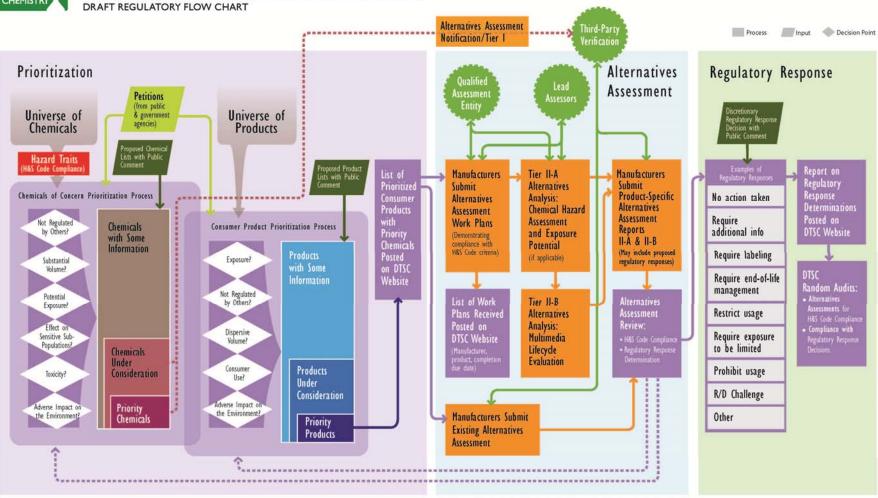
- Volume contained in consumer products; (what threshold for "high" priority?)
- Potential for exposure; (e.g., is there expected, known, or anticipated release during use or at end of life?)
- Exposure based on bio-monitoring data;
- Potential effects on sensitive subpopulations, including infants and children;
- Any evidence suggesting that there are "reasonable grounds for concern" regarding the potential adverse impacts of the chemical;

Source: CA EPA



Regulation for Safer Consumer Products

ARTICLE 14, CHAPTER 6.5, DIVISION 20 OF THE HEALTH & SAFETY CODE CHAPTER 53, DIVISION 4.5, TITLE 22, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS DRAFT REGULATORY FLOW CHART



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Department of Toxic Substances

Control



Criteria for inclusion on Chemical Candidate List

Possible criteria include:

- Chemicals for which a minimum data set (e.g., SIDS data) is not available.
- Criteria established by other California regulatory programs (e.g., proposition 65) and other regulatory bodies
 - (e.g., EU REACH, Canada's CEPA);
 - Chemicals on lists established by other authoritative bodies);
 - Carcinogens;
 - Endocrine disruptors;
 - PBTs and vPvB substances;
 - Mutagens, or reproductive mutagens or toxins;

Source: CA EPA



EU REACH Vs. US Proposals on Chemical Safety

Shift burden of compliance to industry

No Data no Market

Registration per Substance

Encourage safer products and better hazard communication

Increase the competitiveness and innovation of the EU market

Apply the **precautionary principle** in placing products on the market

Unify EU approach to chemical regulation

Confidential Business Information
burden of proof for disclosure
exemptions







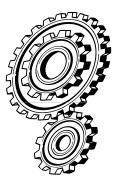












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Brief Introduction of SGS US Fairfield (FF) Chemical Lab





- Where we located? Who we are? What we can do? How we do? **How to ensure our quality?**
 - Why SGS?



SGS IN NORTH AMERICA



SGS North America

- 84 Offices
- 100 Laboratories
- 6,300 Employees

Consumer Testing Services SGS US Testing Company Inc

- 5 Offices
- 4 Laboratories
- 250 Employees



SGS Where we located?







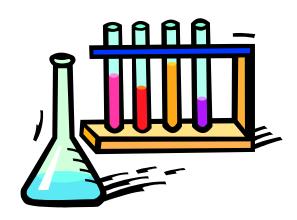






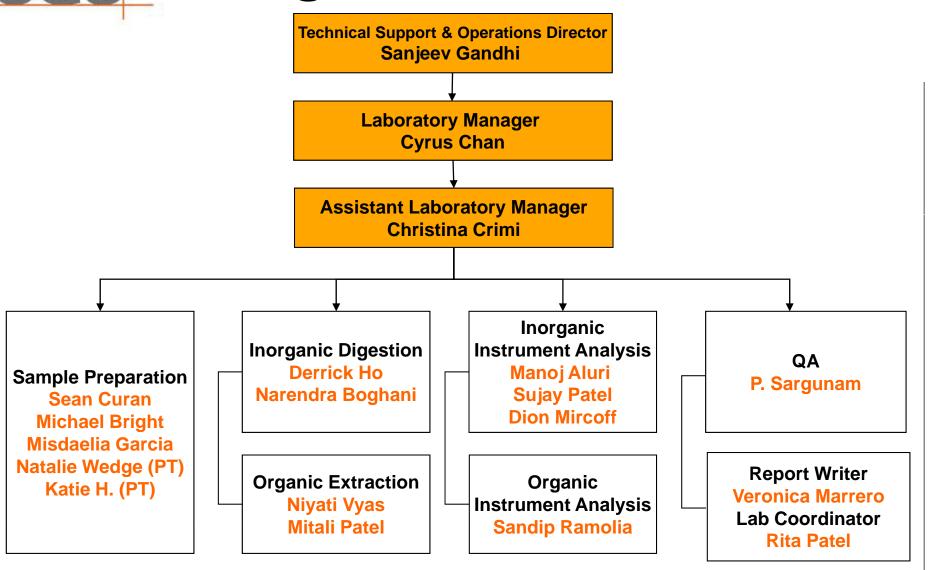
Who we are?

- Chemical Testing Center of CTS
- Serve Internal Clients/BU
- Focus on Chemical testing
- Provide technical support if needed





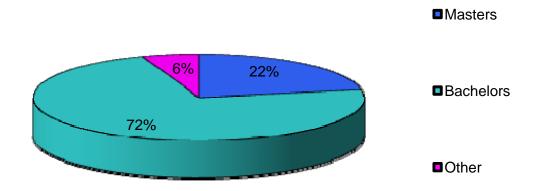
Organization Chart





Staff info

- 18 Employees, including MS, BS and other specialists
- Comprehensive training program
- Followed by on-job training program
- Technical qualification assessment for every position





SGS What we can do?

- Restricted substances testing according to industry standards, regulations and directives of USA, Canada, and EU.
 - Toys and Juvenile Products
 - Hardgood products
 - Housewares
 - DIY tools and building materials
 - Electricals & Electronics
 - **Textiles**
 - **Packaging Materials**
 - **Others**











Capability for TJP and Hardgoods Products

- ✓ Toys
 - CPSIA
 - Phthalates (DEHP, DINP, DIDP, DBP, BBP, DNOP)
 - ASTM F963, EN 71 part 3
 - CHPA
- ✓ Jewelry and other consumer products
- ✓ Heavy Metals
 - Cadmium REACH Annex XVII
 - Nickel Release REACH Annex XVII
 - Packaging Material US TPCH & EU 94/62/EC
 - Plumbing fixtures (NSF 61 & EPA)

- ✓ Food Contact Material
 US FDA: 21CFR 175-181
- ✓ Ceramic & Glassware
 - California Prop.65
 - US FDA

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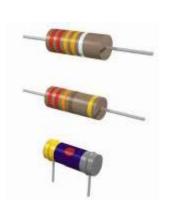




Capability for E&E Products

- Heavy Metals & Flame Retardants
 RoHS Directive 2002/95/EC
- ✓ Packing Material 94/62/EC, TPCH
- ✓ Battery Directive 2006/66/EC
- ✓ Halogens
- ✓ California Prop. 65
- Nickel Release
- ✓ PVC
- Phthalates
- Chlorinated Organic Carriers (COCs)
- ✓ Others.....







Capability for Textile Products

- ✓ Azo dyes
- ✓ COCs
- ✓ Flame Retardants PBB/PBDE
- ✓ PVC and PU identify
- Phthalates
- Extractable Heavy Metals
- Nickel Release
- ✓ Formaldehyde

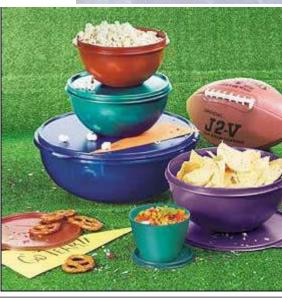






- ✓ Heavy Metals Pb, Cd, As, Hg,
- ✓ Food Packaging Material
- ✓ Others.....





SGS How we do?

- IEC method for RoHS
- ISO, JIS, EN Methods
- CPSC SOPs
- US EPA methods
- ASTM Method
- AOAC Methods
- US FDA: 21CFR 175-181
- Several OEM methods



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