



Current US TSCA Policies That Have An Effect On Hazard Communication

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Presenter biography

Dr. Passarella is an advocate for sustainable chemical management promoting compliance and innovation through consistent, compatible, sustainable global chemical regulations. She is an expert strategist in navigating international chemical regulations. At Intertek, she uses her chemical and legal experience and skill at interpreting complex chemical regulations to design and implement effective policies to protect client's products. Currently, she is aiding clients in interpreting the evolving Frank. R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act (LCSA) as it amends the US Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA).



During her career, Dr. Passarella has advocated for sustainable chemical management to enable the manufacture and sale of products in US and global markets, collaborated with business leaders to incorporate sustainability objectives and policies in early business plans allowing timely product introduction and extension of the life of the product, and collaborated with Congressional Staff to incorporate multiple positions satisfying industry and Non-Government Organizations (NGO) in the U.S. Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA) Reform.

Dr. Passarella brings an industry perspective to the regulatory consulting and advocacy field. After completing her Ph.D. in chemistry, she formulated "greener" coatings as a bench chemist. She then moved to managing R&D groups. Seeing the growth of chemical regulatory management systems, she became manager of various Product Stewardship and Regulatory Affairs groups working on compliance strategies for Korea, China, Japan, Turkey, the European Union, South America, Canada, and the United States.

It was during this time that she pursued a law degree at night school, and she is licensed to practice law in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Her combination of industry experience, and an in-depth knowledge of chemistry and the law enables her to translate regulatory trends and requirements into business and compliance action plans.

Dr. Passarella is associated with various industry associations to promote consistent and compatible global chemical regulations. She knows that chemical management schemes based on sound science and risk management can foster innovation while protecting human health and the environment.

Presentation abstract

In this session, we will discuss the EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) implementation of policies that effect hazard communication, especially in SDS with specific warnings and PPE recommendation. We are witnessing an increase in restrictions with respect to hazard communication as an outcome from more conservative risk characterizations for new substances. In addition, the OCSPP is implementing new chemical bands may change the way you communicate with your downstream user and their suppliers. Some of you who thought you were exempt from the TSCA may need to take a more active role in ensuring compliance.