



Third Party Reviewers

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Presenter biography

Dr. Margaret “Meg” Whittaker is the Managing Director and Chief Toxicologist of ToxServices LLC. Dr. Whittaker is one of the pioneers in the field of chemicals alternatives assessments and is a key contributor to advancing these methods around the world. She is an accomplished human health risk assessor, chemical hazards assessor, and alternatives assessor. She has worked at ToxServices since its founding in 2003. Dr. Whittaker has more than 20 years of experience as a third party reviewer against leading standards and certifications, including U.S. EPA Safer Choice, Cradle to Cradle Certified®, the GreenScreen® for Safer Chemicals, ChemFORWARD Safer, and the Health Product Declaration Standard, among others.



Presentation abstract

Third party reviews are activities undertaken by a person or body independent of a producer or manufacturer of a product or service. The activities may result in a certification against a single- or multi-attribute standard such as Cradle to Cradle Certified®, U.S. EPA Safer Choice, or the Health Product Declaration® Open Standard, among others. Other types of activities conducted as part of a third party review include independent assessment of the safety or sustainability of a chemical, material, or product, such as a ChemFORWARD Safer or GreenBlue’s CleanGredients evaluation. Increasingly, third party reviews are sought out to demonstrate to consumers or investors that a product, service, or organization is operating in a safe and/or sustainable manner. This presentation will provide an overview of different types of third party reviews, identify steps to help you select the best third party review to accomplish your organization’s sustainability or environmental health-related goals, and recommend resources to help you navigate the labyrinth of third party reviews available in the marketplace.