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SPRING MEETING

Thank you to all who were able to attend the SCHC 2018 Spring Meeting in Orlando. It was a fantastic turn-out!

A formal change of leadership took place on the last day installing Jennifer Mahoney as President of SCHC. It is with warmest regards that we thank all of the leaders who are taking new positions in our all-volunteer organization.

If you are interested in becoming more involved in SCHC, now is the perfect time to become a Member and/or join a Committee. Visit the [SCHC website for Committee information](#).



Ann Thompson passes the gavel to Jennifer Mahoney

We applaud all of the Poster presenters, Committee Chair Jing Sun, and the entire Poster committee for their efforts in organizing a very informative Poster Session. Visit the SCHC Facebook page to see videos of the poster session and photos of the event. Thank you to Chandra Gioiello for serving as Poster Session Interviewer for the Live Sessions.



Poster Winner, Joshua Nevels (on left), presented "Exploring the Intersection of REACH, CLP and EU MDR"

FALL MEETING REMINDER

Mark your calendars for the [SCHC Fall meeting](#), which will be held September 22-26, 2018 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. Details are forthcoming on the SCHC website with the Program Committee tentatively focusing on the following:

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FALL MEETING (*continued*)

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- Global GHS Updates with focus on U.S., Canada and Asia, including a Brexit update
- Impact on the Frank Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act on the SDS
- Managing regulatory lists

REGULATORY UPDATES

Inventory Reporting

Webinar for Processors

INVENTORY REPORTING WEBINAR FOR PROCESSORS

EPA Announces Action on
Methylene Chloride

EPA has scheduled a webinar to assist processors with reporting under the TSCA Inventory Notification (Active-Inactive) Rule, published in the Federal Register on August 11, 2017. This rule requires industry to report chemicals manufactured or imported in the U.S. over the past 10 years. The reporting period for processors ends on October 5, 2018. This webinar will include an overview of reporting requirements for processors, a demonstration of the electronic reporting application (Central Data Exchange, or CDX), and will provide time for questions and answers.

The webinar is scheduled for 1-4 PM EDT on May 23, 2018. Registration for a webinar is not required. Please visit EPA's TSCA Inventory web page at <https://www.epa.gov/tsca-inventory> for information on how to access the webinar.

The Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act, which amended TSCA, requires EPA to designate chemical substances on the TSCA Chemical Substance Inventory as either "active" or "inactive" in U.S. commerce. Read the TSCA Inventory Notification (Active-Inactive) Rule.

EPA ANNOUNCES ACTION ON METHYLENE CHLORIDE

WASHINGTON (May 10, 2018) – Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced upcoming actions on methylene chloride, a chemical that can be used for paint stripping. The *Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act*, which amended the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), requires EPA to perform risk evaluations on the uses of ten specific chemicals including methylene chloride. EPA is nearing the completion of Problem Formulations for the first ten chemicals.

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REGULATORY UPDATES

EPA Announces Action on Methylene Chloride (con't)

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EPA ANNOUNCES ACTION ON METHYLENE CHLORIDE (continued)

A timeline of EPA's recent work on methylene chloride:

- In 2014, EPA addressed the paint stripping uses in its risk assessment.
- In January 2017, EPA proposed prohibiting the consumer and commercial paint stripping uses for methylene chloride.
- In June 2017, EPA announced that it will **not** re-evaluate the paint stripping uses of methylene chloride.

Based on this work, EPA is announcing three updates:

- EPA intends to finalize the methylene chloride rulemaking;
- EPA is not re-evaluating the paint stripping uses of methylene chloride and is relying on its previous risk assessments; and
- EPA is working to send the finalized rulemaking to OMB shortly.

EPA is working diligently to implement the new law get the most modern and safe chemicals to market, and to ensure the safety of existing chemicals.

For more information on TSCA implementation, visit [this EPA page](#)

CANADA ISSUES FAQ ON TRANSPORTING METHANOL SOLUTIONS

Transport Canada has issued a FAQ on transporting methanol as a dangerous goods that require most solutions to carry the 6.1 subsidiary class. See <http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/tdg/awareness-materials-and-faq-1159.html#methanol> for details.

METHANOL RESTRICTION IN EU

The EU has issued a restriction on the use of methanol at concentrations of 0.6% or greater in windscreen washing and defrosting fluids sold to the public. This restriction is effective May 9, 2019. See <https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach/-/dislist/details/0b0236e1827f5cf3>



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Danielle Svestka

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - DANIELLE SVESTKA

Getting to network and know others in our Society is the cornerstone to our organization. This issue our spotlight is on Danielle Svestka, who currently serves as the board liaison for both the Social and Outreach Communications committees.

Renee Warner, an SCHC Outreach and Communications committee member, interviewed Danielle so we could all get to know her better.

What do you do?

I've worn many hats — Product Safety/ Hazard Communication/ Regulatory Compliance/ Product Stewardship. I have had the opportunity to work in all these areas during my career, and have been lucky enough to work with both consumer products and industrial chemicals.



How long have you been doing it?

I have been working in the field for 16 years!...which seems like a long-ish time, but really doesn't feel like it.

What are your aspirations?

To stay current (!) - in a field that is continually growing, changing, and being modified there is a TON of information to circulate, read and apply. I plan on being involved for many years to come, and being part of SCHC allows me to keep in touch with all of the moving parts of Hazard Communication.

What is something unique about you/what are your interests/hobbies?

I volunteer and foster with a fantastic dog rescue in the Chicagoland area. We interface with several area intake shelters to get dogs into foster or permanent homes. It is incredibly rewarding and a great way to give back to the community and be an advocate for the dogs! In my other spare time, I also train for OCR obstacle course racing. This will be my second year of running the Spartan Super!

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Danielle Svestka (con't)

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - DANIELLE SVESTKA *(continued)*

Why do you love SCHC?

There are SO MANY reasons! First and foremost, the connections you make with industry colleagues is amazing. Coming to the Spring and Fall Meetings always feels like going back home to see friends. A close second is the information - as an active SCHC Member, I am able to connect with other industry professionals and regulators - which is a HUGE advantage for remaining current in our field. The available resources are amazing, as are the networking opportunities. If you have never attended an on-site meeting, you really should! The other fantastic thing about SCHC is that you can get involved, in any capacity you want to - there are plenty of committees to join and ways to participate with even minimal time commitment. Volunteering is a wonderful way to make new connections and contribute to your professional community.



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