

Hot Topics: Cleaning Products Workshop 2023
November 13, 2023
Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino
Las Vegas, Nevada

Agenda

- 8:00 – 9:00 am **Breakfast & Registration**
- 9:00 – 9:15 am **Opening Remarks**
- 9:15 – 10:00 am **The Fate of Packaging**
Discover the ins and outs of packaging circularity and Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) in this informative session. Experts will delve into the challenges and solutions surrounding EPR and packaging, the evolving role of producers under new state and federal frameworks, optimizing design, and meeting consumer preferences. Whether you're a brand, designer, or simply interested in sustainable practices, this session will provide practical takeaways for stakeholders to prepare for initiatives, like the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) National Strategy to Prevent Plastic Pollution.
- 10:00 – 10:30 am **Microplastics**
Whether you're a sustainability advocate or represent a cleaning product company, regulatory agency, or research institution, this session will offer a unique platform to increase your understanding of microplastics regulations and stay informed about ongoing activity. This session will provide a comprehensive exploration of the evolving regulatory landscape, shedding light on the efforts to mitigate the environmental impact of microplastics in household and commercial product formulations.
- 10:30 – 10:45 am **Networking Break**
- 10:45 – 11:45 am **Update on Green Seal and EPA Safer Choice Programs**
Representatives from Green Seal and the EPA Safer Choice program will present updates on critical aspects of these ecolabel programs. Safer Choice will address its recognition program for cleaning service providers and other aspects of its robust product certification program. Green Seal will provide an overview of its soon-to-be launched sustainable packaging recognition initiative and its most recent work on PFAS, including updating relevant product standards and new certification criteria for plastic trash bags and can liners.
- Speakers: Doug Gatlin, CEO, Green Seal*
Clive Davies, Chief, Safer Choice Program, EPA
- 11:45 – 12:45 pm **Networking Lunch**
- 12:45 – 1:30 pm **Get Ready for MoCRA!**

The Modernization of Cosmetics Regulations Act of 2022 (MoCRA) fundamentally changed the way body washes, cleansing wipes, and other “cosmetic” products are regulated in the United States. This session will address the major requirements created by the new law, including the scope of products subject to MoCRA, mandatory facility registration, product listing and ingredient disclosure, good manufacturing practices, expanded labeling requirements, and adverse event reporting.

Speaker: Frederick A. Stearns, Partner, Keller & Heckman

1:30 – 2:00 pm

GHS Revisions to WHMIS and OSHA HazCom Standard

This session will provide attendees with a comprehensive overview of the updates, impacts, and practical implications of the recent revisions to the Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) and the upcoming revisions to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazard Communication (HazCom) Standard. Industry experts and regulatory authorities will share insights on compliance strategies, communication of hazards, and the alignment of hazard communication practices across borders.

2:00 – 2:30 pm

Trends in the I&I Hand Care Market

This session will address the permanent shifts in the approach to hand care at I&I facilities in the wake of COVID-19. Antibacterial hand soaps are in high demand and there has been an obvious shift toward “smart” IoT dispensers in facilities, such as touch-free hand hygiene and paper dispensers. These and other trends in hand care will be explored during this informative session.

Speaker: Laura Mahecha, Director of Agrochemical and I&I Cleaning Products, Kline & Company

2:30 – 2:45 pm

Networking Break

2:45 – 3:15 pm

CPSC and Flame Mitigation Devices

Hear from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) about the new mandatory safety standard involving flame mitigation devices for gas cans and fuel containers. Congress passed the Portable Fuel Container Safety Act of 2020, which the Commission is currently implementing, but without a clear definition of what is considered a fuel, companies need to understand whether their products are subject to its requirements.

3:15 – 4:00 pm

Regulation of Chemicals of Concern

Explore the intricate landscape of chemicals of concern in this presentation where experts will share their unparalleled insights into identifying, evaluating, and managing potentially hazardous chemicals across various product categories. Take a look into the methodologies and tools employed to assess the risks associated with these chemicals, gain an understanding of best practices for ensuring safety and compliance, and uncover strategies to mitigate the impact of chemicals of concern on health, the environment, and business operations.

4:00 – 4:30 pm

Update on the Regulation of VOCs

This session will provide attendees with a comprehensive understanding of volatile organic compound (VOC) limits in consumer products and strategies for companies to determine whether a product formulation complies with applicable state and federal regulations, including those set by the Ozone Transport Committee states, the California Air Resources Board (CARB), and the EPA. Whether you're a stakeholder in manufacturing, distribution, or regulation, this session will offer a holistic lens to help navigate the intricate landscape of VOC compliance and ensure consumer confidence in products.

4:30 – 4:45 pm

Closing Comments