HOW WILL NEW REGULATIONS IMPACT YOU?

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has begun to implement the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act (LCSA) passed in June 2016, to modernize the Toxic Substances Control Act.

EPA is shaping new regulations on fundamental elements of the LCSA, including chemical risk-based prioritization and risk evaluation. Chemical manufacturers, processors, importers and downstream users of chemistry will have multiple opportunities in the regulatory process to provide comments to EPA. Furthermore, the new law makes it easier for the Agency to request new information on chemicals. Companies may wish to form consortia to collaborate on the development of this information and to share costs and promote efficiencies. Consortia also will help facilitate critical input to EPA on chemical prioritization, risk evaluations and risk management options.

To assist with the creation, support, and management of consortia, the American Chemistry Council has established the Center for Chemical Safety Act Implementation, the premier scientific, technical, and advocacy resource for LCSA requirements.

As a key stakeholder in the LCSA legislative negotiations, ACC’s knowledge of the new law is unsurpassed, and ACC staff is already actively engaged with EPA on implementation. ACC is also the home of the groundbreaking Long Range Research Initiative, an initiative that fosters research collaborations of scientists from industry, academia, and government agencies to advance the development and application of 21st century scientific methods. These scientific methods enhance the relevance and efficiency of generating health, safety and exposure data of the sort needed in future EPA regulatory reviews under LCSA.
HOW CAN THE CENTER HELP?

Facilitating and managing consortia agreements and data compensation agreements

Managing generation of chemical information pursuant to EPA’s new authority under TSCA Section 4*

Developing chemical specific use and exposure data

Coordinating review and comment on EPA’s draft chemical risk evaluations, and reviewing and commenting on EPA’s proposed risk management actions

Developing and implementing integrated advocacy strategies to accomplish consortia objectives including partner and ally development

Engaging with EPA and other key regulatory agencies including OMB, and leveraging ACC’s expertise and experience

*Including contracting with testing laboratories and scientific experts, interpreting results, and submitting testing results to EPA

The Center is managed by ACC’s Chemical Product & Technology Division (CPTD), which for over 40 years, has helped chemical product and sector groups effectively navigate science, regulatory and legislative challenges at the state, federal and international levels. CPTD services are enhanced by the substantive expertise, resources, reputation and support of the entire ACC organization.

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