



ANSI/NAM Network on Chemical Regulation

Focused on Launching the Network Work Groups

Work Group 2 Policy

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Identify 3-5 Actionable Items

Short-Term:

- Message Development
- Montebello/NAFTA Chemical Project
- *SME Awareness Campaign and Toolbox on REACH ---new group? Or other work group?*

Long-Term:

- Outreach Activity –broad roll-out in 2009
- Create a forum that begins looking at an approach that is consistent with the incorporation of environmental considerations into business decisions



Ideas on how to Strategically and Tactically Address Items

- **Message Development**
 - Create three (3) sub-groups to focus on REACH messaging, the Montebello Agreement, and TSCA
 - Actively recruit chair for REACH messaging
 - Jane Wishneff volunteered for TSCA
 - Volunteers identified for sub-groups
- **Montebello/NAFTA Chemical Project**
 - Jim Cooper volunteered to lead
 - Utilize the sub-group that is developing the messaging to work on the project



Classify and Prioritize Milestones with Timelines

- **Message Development**
 - Identify chair for REACH messaging (Immediate)
 - Call for additional participants for all sub-groups (Immediate)
 - Establish timelines for Q1 and Q2 meetings
- **Montebello/NAFTA Chemical Project**
 - Circulate 1-pager and slide deck to group (Immediate) on Montebello
 - Create discussion draft that includes:
 - Conceptual framework for a tiered, targeted and risk-based approach to chemical evaluations and management
 - Includes definitions, product stewardship applicability



Establish Next Steps, Deliverables and Responsibilities (continued)

- Message Development

Short-term:

- APEC Meeting- Lima, Peru (Feb 23rd) – Focus on REACH
- Trans-Atlantic Economic Council –Spring 2008
- WTO/TBT –March 18-20, 2008

Long-term:

- Get consensus on prioritization of messages from the list (see appendix A)



Establish Next Steps, Deliverables and Responsibilities (continued)

- Montebello/NAFTA Chemical Project
 - By end of Q1--- discussion draft will be circulated to the Policy Work Group with request for comment



Appendix A

1. TSCA and efforts to address state-based chemical regulations; federal pre-emption
2. Statement on the Precautionary Principle
3. Common terminology
4. Science and Risk/Safety
5. Trade-offs/values; decision made on products
6. How we view lists?
7. Safety and Environment vs. Risk in Terminology
8. Safety decisions can't be based solely on analytical info
9. Alternate approach to chemical assessment suggest to other governments
10. REACH-specific messages