







ANSI/NAM Network on Chemical Regulation

Focused on Launching the Network Work Groups

Work Group 3

Standards and Conformity Assessment

Tuesday, January 22, 2008



Work Group Agenda

Breakout Session 1: BRAINSTORMING

- identify 3-5 actionable items to focus work on
- discuss how to address those items strategically and pragmatically (there are no dedicated resources)

Breakout Session 2: ACTION PLANNING

- classify and prioritize milestones with timelines
- establish next steps, deliverables and responsibilities for going forward



Identify 3-5 Actionable Items

Scope: Cataloging and coordinating standards and conformity assessment related to REACH Compliance.

- Developed list of Standards needs
- Develop Draft of Existing Documents/Activities related to REACH
- 3. Look for areas of overlap and encourage harmonization
- Gap Analysis and proposed remedies to 'fill the gap'



1. Standards List

- Standards for Reporting (Data Collection and Grouping of Chemicals???)
 - Specific supply change protocol (only responsible for one up or one down unless outside the EU)
- Standards for Data Exchange/Content (this would need to come prior to reporting)
- Standards for Grouping Chemicals
- Standard Database (Creation of Global Database for all materials, products, etc.)
- Standard to provide guidance/guidelines for compliance to REACH guidelines (Standards for Reach Implementation Projects – may need individual)
- Standards for Due-Diligence and Conformance (how does a company/entity know they are doing all that is needed???)
- And many more to come....



2. Existing Activities

- Not limited to just standards identified
- Leads: Rolf, Bruce & Brynn
- Distributed to working group for feedback and comments
- Look to invite key individuals involved in existing activities
- Question for Network: Can any SDO and others please identify current activities to be included?



3. Areas of overlap &

4. Gap Analysis

- Develop criteria to evaluate overlap
 - Case by case basis
 - Industry lead efforts
- If a Gap is identified determine if current expertise exists otherwise create a new group



Obstacles

- Lack of resources (money, personal, expertise, etc.)
- Need for tools (Database, software, etc.)
- Timeline
- Conflicting Agendas
- Connection back to EU