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.

1. Developed list of Standards needs
2. Develop Draft of Existing Documents/Activities related to REACH
3. Look for areas of overlap and encourage harmonization
4. 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