



# Manufacturers Network on Chemical Regulation

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# Manufactures Network on Chemical Regulation: *Why*

- ❑ Began as a result of the ANSI ACTION & REACTION Conference held August 9-10, 2007
- ❑ Strong need to link broad range of industries and associations
  - i.e. manufacturers and trade associations
- ❑ Desire across the board to seek more effective integration of science and technology in the early stages



# Manufactures Network on Chemical Regulation: *How*

## Main Functions:

- Disseminate timely information
- Identify and clarify issues of concern
- Share best practices
- Leverage government and industry resources
- Assess relevant standards and compliance programs to ascertain areas for improvement
- Promote “risk based” as opposed to “list based” life cycle assessment
- Create common reporting processes for US supply chain companies, where applicable, and
- Champion better use of voluntary standards and compliance programs as solutions to regulatory controls



# Manufactures Network on Chemical Regulation: *What*

Immediate Concern:

- REACH Implementation



# Today's Agenda

- ❑ 8:30 am - Welcome and Call to Order
- ❑ 8:45 am - Small Group Discussions
  - Pooling Individual Points of View on REACH Implementation
- ❑ 10:10 am - Break
- ❑ 10:30 am - Plenary Session
  - Present and discuss report summary of common/key points
- ❑ 11:30 am - Closing Discussion
  - Identifying issues, concerns and their next steps/actions
- ❑ 12:00 am - Adjournment



# Small Group Discussions - Pooling Individual Points of View on REACH Implementation

**Topics for discussion include the  
identification of:**

- Areas of concern and/or need
- Best practices and/or work already underway
- Commonalities across sectors
- Suggestions for leveraging resources and  
“getting common”



# Plenary Session

- Present and discuss summary report of common/key points
- Develop consensus on priorities
- Identify key topics for further discussion



# Closing Discussion and Next Steps

**Topics for discussion include the identification of:**

- Means to address issues and concerns
- Means to leverage industry sectors
- Opportunities
- Suggested next steps and actions





# Adjournment

## Proceedings:

Executive summary will be sent to all participants and posted to [www.ansi.org/chemicals](http://www.ansi.org/chemicals)