

Meeting of the GHS Pest Control Products Sector Working Group (PSWG)
June 28th, 2004, 10:00AM - 12:00PM
Irritation Hazard Classes

Members in attendance via teleconference:

Lynn Ovenden, Co-Chair, PMRA	Zoe Gillespie, PMRA
Lisa Woods, PMRA	Renee Bartz, CropLife
Peter MacLeod, CropLife	Andrew Medryk, CCSPA
Irwin Schmidt, CropLife	Steve Rathlou, CCSPA
Dave Bennett, CLC	Sean Griffin, LEAS
Lorna Poff, F/P/T	Karen Ryan (alt. Nfld)

Observers:

Stéphane Lavigne, PMRA	Lisa Wardell, CCSWG
Brenda Everson, PPSO	Suranika Dias, WHMIS

Agenda

1. Welcome, Introductions of members and observers
2. Update on activities
3. Skin/Eye Irritation/Corrosion and Skin Sensitization - discussion guide
4. Summer activities - proposal
5. Ad hoc expert group on environmental hazards (acute aquatic toxicity)
6. Chronic health hazard classes

Meeting Notes:

1. Terms of Reference for PSWG have been amended to include new members Dave Bennett from CLC and Sean Griffin of LEAS.
3. Skin/Eye Corrosion/Irritation Discussion Guide
Comment: request that appendices (tables with symbols) be sent as .pdf files
Comment: members need to know options and direction of other sectors in Canada; they assume that other sectors will want to adopt all GHS categories for these hazards.
4. Summer Activities: invite comments on all four discussion guides (acute toxicity, flammable, irritation/corrosion/skin sensitization, remaining physical hazards) through summer. Send comments to all in the PSWG. The discussion guides serve as Issue Papers on the workplan. PMRA will draft a comprehensive proposal in fall for consideration of the PSWG.
Comment: members will want to see proposals of other sectors... to be posted to the web.
5. Ad hoc Expert Group on Environmental hazards (aquatic tox)
Request for nominees. Bob Sebastien will represent PMRA.

6. Chronic health hazard classes

Members discussed formation of an Ad Hoc Working Group for chronic hazard classes, sectors that may be involved and whether there was a need for PSWG participation.