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UPDATE ON REGULATIONS BEING DEVELOPED

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Objective of the Presentation

For certain existing or planned instruments under the:

- *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*
(CEPA 1999)
- *Fisheries Act*

Provide summary information on the latest regulatory developments





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INSTRUMENTS UNDER CEPA, 1999



Regulations

OZONE-DEPLETING SUBSTANCES

Amendments to the *Ozone-depleting Substances and Halocarbon Alternatives Regulations*

- ✓ Publication of the proposed Regulations
Canada Gazette Part I, March 21, 2015
- ❑ Publication of the final Regulations,
Canada Gazette Part II, 2016





Regulations, Part 9

HALOCARBONS

Amendments to the *Federal Halocarbon Regulations, 2003*

✓ Consultations to evaluate the administrative costs associated with the FHR 2003 and its proposed revisions, May 28, 2015

❑ Publication of the proposed Regulations
Canada Gazette Part I, 2016

The report on the public consultations carried out in 2013 is available on the web site www.ec.gc.ca/ozone



Code of Practice

HALOCARBONS

Amendments to the *Environmental Code of Practice for the Elimination of Fluorocarbon Emissions from Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Systems*

- ✓ Public consultations until January 17, 2014
- ✓ Publication of the updated Code of Practice, **April 18, 2015**

<http://www.ec.gc.ca/lcpe-cepa/default.asp?lang=En&n=D918C063-1>

Comments provided during the 2011 and 2013 consultations were taken into consideration for the update of the Code of Practice.





Regulations

Prohibition of Certain Toxic Substances

Prohibition of Certain Toxic Substances Regulations

The Regulations prohibit the manufacture, use, sell, offer for sale and import of 22 toxic substances and products containing these substances, with a number of exemptions.

BNST – A permit is mandatory since March 14, 2015.

- ✓ Publication of the proposed regulations, *Canada Gazette* Part I, **April 4, 2015**
- Five substances would be added: **HBCD, PFOA, PFCA, PBDE, PFOS**
- 2 Regulations would be repealed (PFOS and PBDE)
- Administrative modifications in order to improve clarity



Regulations

VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

Proposed *Volatile Organic Compound (VOC)* *Concentration Limits for Certain Products Regulations*

- *The purpose of the proposed Regulations is to reduce VOC emissions in the environment by setting concentration limits in certain products,*
- *The proposed VOC limits are aligned with US EPA Regulations.*

□ Publication of the proposed Regulations
Canada Gazette Part I, [2016](#)





Code of Practice

VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

Proposed *Code of Practice for the Reduction of Volatile Organic Compounds Emissions from the Use of Cutback and Emulsified Asphalt*

- The Code provides guidance to the asphalt sector regarding actions that can contribute to the reduction of volatile organic compounds (VOC) emissions from the use of cutback asphalt and emulsified asphalt.
- The Code aims to reduce VOC emissions by 55 percent over a five-year period
- ❑ Publication of the Code of Practices, *Canada Gazette Part I*, **2015**





Regulations

PRODUCTS CONTAINING MERCURY

Mercury-containing Products Regulations

Regulations that prohibits the **importation** and the **manufacture** of products containing mercury with a few **exceptions** for essential products that have no viable alternatives.

- ✓ Publication of the final Regulations in the Canada Gazette Part II, **November 7, 2014**
- ❑ The Regulations will come into force on **November 8, 2015**





Regulations

WASTE

Amendments to the :

- *Export and Import of Hazardous Wastes and Hazardous Recyclable Material Regulations*
 - *Interprovincial Movement of Hazardous Waste and Hazardous Recyclable Material Regulations*
 - *PCB Waste Export Regulations, 1996*
- Publication of the draft Regulations in the *Canada Gazette* part I, **2016**





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INSTRUMENT
UNDER THE
FISHERIES ACT



Regulations

WASTEWATER EFFLUENT

Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations

- ✓ Publication of the final Regulations, *Canada Gazette* Part II, July 18, 2012
- ✓ Effluent Quality Standard came into effect on **January 1, 2015**
- ✓ The proposed Canada-Quebec agreement on equivalent provisions, and its corresponding order, were published in the *Canada Gazette*, Part I on **March 21, 2015**
- ❑ Final publication of the order, *Canada Gazette*, Part II, **2015-2016**



INFORMATION

Environment Canada Website

<http://www.ec.gc.ca>

CEPA Environmental Registry, 1999

<http://www.ec.gc.ca/CEPAregistry>

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