

Annual Chemicals Regulation Seminar

Welcome

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Steptoe & Johnson LLP - Overview

- International law firm focused on regulatory issues and litigation
- Over 500 professionals in the US, EU, China
- Chemical Regulation, Environment and Life Sciences practice is a core focus
 - Largest practice in Brussels, widely recognized for accomplishments
 - Well known in Washington for antimicrobials, pesticides and environmental litigation
 - Unique practice in Beijing focused on regulatory evolution to facilitate market access
- Team includes lawyers, scientists, regulatory and technical advisors



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Chemical Regulation, Environment & Life Sciences Practice

- Broad range of Substantive Areas
 - Chemicals
 - Nanotechnology
 - Antimicrobials/Biocides/Pesticides
 - Cosmetics
 - Medical devices
 - Food contact materials and foods
 - Consumer products
- Create efficiencies for clients through cross-jurisdictional work



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Our EU Chemical Regulation, Environment & Life Sciences Team

- Unique litigation experience: in proceedings related to EU chemicals legislation before the ECHA's Board of Appeal and before the European Courts
 - Five appeals filed in 2014 and four legal cases currently pending before the European Courts
- Depth in the chemicals regulatory sphere: REACH, CLP, biocides, plant protection products (agrochemicals) and nano we have been active in all of these areas since the respective EU regimes were first proposed and worked at all stages of their implementation
- Capacity: the largest environment and life sciences regulatory practice of any law firm in Brussels - 10 full time professionals
- Recognition: consistently ranked by legal directories in the top tier for Chemicals and Environment



Our US Chemical Regulation, Environment & Life Sciences Team

- Unique litigation experience: unparalleled breadth of practice, e.g., challenges to EPA regulations; defending California Prop. 65 claims; defending NGO litigation on endangered species and pesticides; environmental remediation litigation
- Depth in the chemicals regulatory sphere: biocides and pesticides regulation, data compensation, food contact materials, enforcement defense
- Capacity: 10 full time professionals in DC, with additional specialized litigation capability in DC and CA
- Recognition: preferred legal services provider for American Chemistry Council, known for biocides experience



Our Beijing Chemical Regulation, Environment & Life Sciences Team

- Unique government affairs capability: Achieve client goals during the rapid evolution of regulatory requirements
- Broad knowledge of regulatory requirements: Successful projects in biocides and food contact materials areas.



Resources - Chemical Watch

- Steptoe works closely with the online journal to gather and disseminate the latest global developments on chemical legislation.
 - Asia Hub
 - Reform of China's Disinfectant Regulatory System: Are You Ready? (April 2014)
 - Biocides Hub
 - Transitioning to the BPR: what will become of the Manual of Decisions? (February 2015)
 - SMEs and the BPR (December 2014)
 - Chemical Watch Conferences
 - <u>Biocides Symposium 2015</u> (May 2015)
 Darren Abrahams, Anna Gergely
 - <u>"Antimicrobials Update on US Legislation," Biocides 2014 Conference</u>
 (December 2014)
 - <u>"Treated Articles What's New?" Biocides 2014 Conference</u>
 (December 2014)



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Resources – Steptoe Client Updates

- CEQ Issues Revised Draft Guidance for Evaluating Climate Change Impacts in NEPA Reviews (February 2015)
- What to Expect from the New European Commission 2014-2019 (November 2014)
- <u>USFWS Eagle Act Permit Rule Update</u> (November 2014)
- DC District Court Issues Key Clean Water Act Opinion in Mingo Logan
 Coal Company Inc., v. EPA, Case No. 1:10-cv-00541-ABJ
 (October 2014)



Resources – Chinese Chemical Regulation Updates

- The Chinese regulatory system is constantly changing and Steptoe is committed to helping our clients keep up with the latest developments that will affect their business or industry.
- We publish concise, weekly updates which highlight newly issued regulations involving hazardous chemicals, China REACH, biocides, food safety and cosmetics.
 - www.steptoe.com/chinesechemicalupdates



Resources – Webinars

- Environmental Review & the Food Contact Notification Process (April 2, 2015)
- <u>Litigation Under EU Chemicals Legislation Webinar Series: Part 3</u> (March 19, 2015)
- <u>Litigation Under EU Chemicals Legislation Webinar Series: Part 2</u> (February 24, 2015)
- <u>Data Sharing: Lessons for REACH, Biocides & Agrochemicals</u> (January 15, 2015)
- <u>Litigation Under EU Chemicals Legislation Webinar Series: Part 1</u>
 (December 16, 2014)

