

Act 154 Chemical Use Working Group

Meeting Minutes, August 23, 2016
Vermont State House, Room 11, Montpelier, Vermont
Facilitated by Trey Martin, ANR Deputy Secretary

1. At 9:00am, Trey Martin convened the meeting with introductions and a summary of agenda items. The minutes from the July 19, 2016 meeting were approved.
2. Ruma Kohli and Thom Jagielski of Global Foundries presented the methods that Global Foundries uses to track chemical use within their supply chains. They also reviewed portions of federal, state and international chemical regulatory organizations.
3. Joel Tickner of the Toxics Use Reduction Institute, University of Massachusetts Lowell, presented “Thinking about Comprehensive Chemicals Policy” by phone. He outlined gaps in chemical policy systems, including data, safety, technology, science and jurisdiction gaps.
4. Martin Wolf of Seventh Generation presented the “Life Cycle View” matrix under development with State of Vermont Agency staff. Working group members were encouraged to complete portions of the matrix tied to their expertise. The working group envisions a companion document that expands on each regulatory body, its coverage and known gaps.
5. The meeting was opened for any final public comment and questions from attendees in person or by phone. No comments or questions were received
6. The meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, Sept. 19th from 1pm-4pm in Room 11 of the Vermont State House, Montpelier**. ORCA media filmed this meeting and will make the recording available via their website in approximately one week.

Working Group members in attendance:

Dr. Ian Balcom, *Lyndon State College*
Paul Burns, *Vermont Public Interest Research Group (VPIRG)*
Josh Cox, *VT Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security*
Bill Driscoll, *Associated Industries of Vermont*
James Ehlers, *Lake Champlain International (LCI)*
Cary Giguere, *VT Agency of Agriculture Food & Markets*
Jon Groveman, *Vermont Natural Resources Council (VNRC)*
Anne Hoogenboom, *Cabot Creamery*
Ruma Kohli, *Global Foundries*

Mitch Krauss, *Burton Snowboards*
Trey Martin, *VT Agency of Natural Resources*
Scott Meyer, *VT Occupational Safety and Health Administration (VOSHA)*
Aaron Page, *Cabot Creamery*
Ken Rumelt, *Vermont Law School*
Sarah Vose, *VT Department of Health*
Martin Wolf, *Seventh Generation*

Interested parties and guests in attendance:

Allison Crowley DeMag, *Morris & DeMag, Inc.*
Thom Jagielski, *Global Foundries*
Rebecca Ramos, *Necrason Group*
Nicole Sala, *Seventh Generation*
Nick Sherman, *KSE – Toy Association and Paving Association*

ANR staff in attendance:

Marjorie Gale
Joanne Garton
Jordan Gonda
Ernie Kelley
Tami Wuestenberg

Attendance by phone:

Anne Burmeister, *Planned Parenthood of Northern New England*
Dr. Deborah Hirtz, *University of Vermont School of Medicine*
Tracy Lefrance, *Agency of Natural Resources*
Joel Tickner, ScD, *University of Massachusetts Lowell*