

The Acta Group, L.L.C. Webinar Invitation

European Union REACH Activities, Responsibilities, and Enforcement

Webinar Agenda

- I. Welcome/Introductions/Overview -- Lynn L. Bergeson and Leslie S. MacDougall, The Acta Group
- II. Registrant Responsibilities: Lessons Learned from 2010 Registrations/Areas Needing Improvement -- Andrew
 R. Bourne, The Acta Group
- III. SIEF and LR Responsibilities -- Ruth C. Downes, The Acta Group
- IV. Enforcement and Inspections: Case Studies and Guidance on Marshaling Supporting Data to Survive the Inspection Process -- Mike Potts, UK HSE
- V. Q&A/Discussion

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Speaker Profiles

Lynn L. Bergeson is President of The Acta Group, with offices in Washington, D.C., Manchester, UK, and Beijing, China, and is Managing Principal of Bergeson & Campbell, P.C., a Washington, D.C. law firm focusing on conventional, nanoscale, and biobased industrial, agricultural, and specialty chemical product regulation and approval matters, environmental health and safety law, chemical product litigation, and associated business counseling and litigation issues.

Leslie Scott-MacDougall has extensive experience in chemical-related matters. In her role with The Acta Group, Ms. Scott-MacDougall performs health and environmental effects assessments of existing and new industrial chemicals in support of a multitude of global programs. As a global regulatory program coordinator, Ms. Scott-MacDougall provides chemical management support for various jurisdictions, including activities in association with the following jurisdictions: U.S., Canada, EU, individual member states, China, Japan, and Taiwan. She remains at the forefront of addressing "un-chartered territory" by assisting in some of the first appeals under REACH as well as potential precedent setting actions to further improve regulatory programs.

Andrew R. Bourne is a Regulatory Specialist with The Acta Group. Mr. Bourne has significant experience in regulatory and chemical management matters. Previously, Mr. Bourne worked for Exponent International Ltd. (Exponent) as a Regulatory Affairs Specialist where he was a liaison for SIEF members, steering groups, and downstream users for the compilation of substance identification and available substance data and risk management information for the REACH phase-in 2010 deadlines. In addition, Mr. Bourne produced several Chemical Safety Reports (CSR) for Annex IX and X registrations and assisted in biocides and plant protection registrations. Prior to his work at Exponent, Mr. Bourne was a Regulatory Affairs Officer at Harlan Laboratories Ltd., where he managed non-phase-in and worldwide registrations and notifications of chemical substances and produced training documents for REACH.

Ruth C. Downes is a Regulatory Specialist with The Acta Group. Ms. Downes specializes in REACH registrations and worldwide notifications, having registered many substances under REACH since 2008. Ms. Downes is experienced with the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) submission tools such as REACH-IT and the dossier creation tool IUCLID 5 (International Uniform Chemical Information Database), including its plug-in tools such as the CSR tool and the Technical Completeness Check tool. Through the Notification of New Substances scheme and REACH, Ms. Downes has built strong links with national competent authorities and communicates frequently with ECHA. She has worked as part of many SIEFs and consortia supporting LRs in document preparation along with other activities to meet REACH-related registration deadlines. Ms. Downes is a former Regulatory Affairs Associate at Harlan Laboratories Ltd (formerly SafePharm Laboratories) where she provided regulatory advice and produced regulatory dossiers and documents for REACH and worldwide notifications.

Mike Potts works with the UK REACH Competent Authority, Chemicals Regulation Directorate. He has worked for HSE in Chemical Regulation for 21 years, first in Pesticides and Biocides where he was involved in the approval of Pesticides under the Control of Pesticides Regulations. He then moved to head the Information, Strategy and Planning team responsible for providing information to stakeholders on Pesticides and Biocides. His last job in Pesticides and Biocides was that of Resource Manager where his tasks involved the overseeing of the Unit's scientific staff and finances. In May 2007, Mr. Potts joined the UK REACH Competent Authority, initially working on the Helpdesk providing reactive information to stakeholders in response to telephone and e-mail inquiries and also coordinating and delivering the Competent Authority's proactive communication and awareness raising functions. During this time, he was the UK member of Helpnet. For the last two years, Mr. Potts has worked in the REACH compliance team; his duties involve enforcing the compliance of REACH in the UK, coordinating and advising the different enforcing bodies in the UK, and inputting the UK's views into the EU arena. Mr. Potts is the current UK Member of the Forum.

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