Day 1 • Tuesday, December 3, 2013

8:00  Registration

9:00  Welcome & Introductions

9:30  Taking Action: Leading Initiatives in Advancing Safer Chemicals, Part I

    Presenters
    • Amanda Cattermole, Levi Strauss & Co.
    • Steven Kooy, Haworth, Inc.
    • Rebecca Cramer, Asahi Kasei Plastics

    Moderator: Mark Rossi, CPA/BizNGO

10:40  Break

11:00  Taking Action: Leading Initiatives in Advancing Safer Chemicals, Part II

    Presenters
    • Sonja Haider, ChemSec
    • Mike Belliteau, Environmental Health Strategy Center

    Moderator: Beverley Thorpe, CPA

12:10  Lunch

1:00  Small Groups: Scaling Our Work

1) What is working for you? What is helping you the most in your work in addressing chemicals of concern? Is it: a tool, a regulation, senior management support, chemical ingredient transparency, an advocacy campaign, or consumer demand?

2) Why?

3) How do we scale your work? What would be most important to scaling your work in advancing safer chemicals?

1:20  Small Groups: Report Back

Desired Outcomes
• Learn what is most essential to advancing the use of safer alternatives to chemicals of concern.
• Identify next steps essential to scaling our work and how BizNGO can support this work.

2:00  Sustainable Plastics? Creating a Framework that Addresses the Chemistry of Plastics

    Presenters
    • Ann Blake, Environmental & Public Health Consulting
    • Mark Rossi, CPA/BizNGO

    Moderator: Charlotte Brody, BlueGreen

Desired Outcomes
• Inform BizNGO participants about the purpose of the Plastics Scorecard and its development to date.
• Get input on how to strengthen the Plastics Scorecard and ensure it is a meaningful tool for assessing progress to more sustainable plastics.

3:40  Break

4:00  Implementing Alternatives Assessment

    Presenters
    • Pam Eliason, Massachusetts Toxics Use Reduction Institute
    • Karl Palmer, California Department of Toxic Substances Control
    • Raymond Lizotte, Schneider Electric

    Moderator: Joel Tickner, UMass Lowell

Desired Outcomes
• Know what distinguishes alternatives assessment from risk assessment and LCA.
• Identify what is sufficient for an alternatives assessment to meet a regulation or make a business decision.
• Create a list of opportunities for engaging in alternatives assessment going forward.
• Brainstorm needs for advancing alternatives assessment, including next steps for BizNGO in 2014.

5:15  Reception

7:00  Adjourn
Day 2 • Wednesday, December 4, 2012

8:00 Registration

9:00 Welcome

9:15 Corporate Chemical Footprint — Evaluating Organizational Progress to Safer Chemicals

Presenters
- Sally Edwards, Lowell Center for Sustainable Production
- Tim Greiner, Pure Strategies

10:00 Small Groups: Review Corporate Chemical Scorecard Performance Measures

10:40 Break

11:00 Small Groups: Report Back & Open Discussion of the Scorecard

Desired Outcomes
- Inform BizNGO participants about the goals of the Corporate Chemical Scorecard project and its development to date.
- Gain feedback on how to make the Corporate Chemical Scorecard a meaningful tool for assessing progress in chemicals management and safer chemicals use.

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Reform: Core Issues & Potential Resolutions

Presenters
- Andy Igrejas, Safer Chemicals, Healthy Families
- Ansje Miller, Center for Environment Health
- Roger McFadden, Staples, Inc.

Moderator: Rachelle Wenger, Dignity Health

Desired Outcomes
- Understand what is possible and not on TSCA reform.
- Identify key topics and opportunities for BizNGO participants in TSCA reform.

BizNGO Chemicals Policy Positions
i. Require chemical manufacturers to develop and submit hazard, use, and exposure data on chemicals in commerce, and require the EPA to make such data readily available to the public.
ii. Take immediate action to reduce the use of persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic (PBT) chemicals and other chemicals of high concern.
iii. Clearly identify chemicals of high and low concern to human and environmental health, based on robust information.
iv. Require greater disclosure of chemicals of high concern in products.
v. Promote safer alternatives.

2:10 Break

2:30 Knowing & Disclosing Chemicals in Products & Supply Chains: Strategies for Success

Presenters
- Brian Martin, Seagate Technology PLC
- Tommy Thompson, Hanesbrands, Inc.
- Kevin Munn, United Nations Environment Programme

Moderator: Ken Geiser, Professor Emeritus, University of Massachusetts Lowell

Desired Outcomes
- Identify critical needs to success in scaling knowledge of chemicals in products and supply chains.
- Identify key drivers for taking action and how we can leverage those drivers for greater success.
- Identify next steps for BizNGO in supporting the scaling of knowing and disclosing chemicals in products and processes.

4:00 Next Steps for BizNGO in 2014

4:30 Adjourn

BizNGO Note on Government Policies
Participants in BizNGO are all working towards the use of safer chemicals in commerce. Reflecting the diversity of participants in the Working Group, we have a diversity of perspectives on government, NGO and industry initiatives. While BizNGO strives for consensus on all of its policy positions and all participants agree on the government policy issues we address, we may not achieve consensus on the specifics of every BizNGO policy statement.

Desired Outcomes: Overall Meeting

- Create strategies for scaling our work.
- Create new linkages and ideas for leveraging our existing networks to support the scaling of our work.
- Take the key strategies, actions, drivers, needs, rationales, and resources identified at the meeting and integrate them into BizNGO materials and resources, especially our website.
- Develop ideas for BizNGO 2014 action plan.