

CMMA Member Bulletin

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Chemical Management Plan Environment Canada/Health Canada Joint Effort

Late last week, Prime Minister Harper announced plans to improve protection against hazardous chemicals – a joint Environment Canada/Health Canada effort. The overall plan will be called the Chemical Management Plan.

Click [here](#), to read the press release and/or learn more about this initiative.

One of the early steps to be undertaken is the development and implementation of measures to assess and manage the risks posed by certain substances. To facilitate this step, a Canada Gazette Part I document has been prepared. This document details the 'planned actions' in Section 6 and provides a list of 'P' and 'B' substances that will be scrutinized in the first six months of the activity.

There are many products on this list and we suspect some may be in use either directly or indirectly in our industry. CMMA is currently seeking to identify the 'common names' of these substances.

As CMMA is a member of the Canadian Plastics Industry Association, we will be working directly with them, as well as with our GR consultants, Global Public Affairs, to develop a 'next step response' in a timely manner.