



EPA Proposal to List 8 Phthalates  
As Chemicals of Concern  
Under TSCA Section 5(b)(4)

January 7, 2011, 10:00 AM (ET)  
New Executive Office Building  
725 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Washington, DC

Proposed Agenda from SPI: The Plastics Industry Association to the OMB

**“Real Market Impacts on the Proposal to List 8 Phthalates as Chemicals of Concern”**

1. Introductions/Review of Purpose of Meeting
2. Overview of Flexible Vinyl Industry “By the Numbers” (Melissa Hockstad, SPI)
3. Potential Impacts on Specific Market Sectors
  - a. Wallcovering (Randy Marvel, RJF International Corporation)
  - b. Automotive (Leonard Slott, Vi-Chem Corporation)
4. General Discussion and Q&A with OMB and SPI Representatives
5. Closing Remarks
6. Adjourn

**Overall Closing Statement**

We have always believed in making business decisions based on factual data. There is no objective science based argument behind listing phthalates as chemicals of concern in current applications. In fact the science and decades of safe use in such diverse markets gives strong evidence that phthalates should not be listed as chemicals of concern. We believe if you list phthalates there will be a significant decrease in our business if not a complete elimination of the majority of the markets we currently sell.

**Recommendations**

1. Reconsider/**Withdraw** the current proposal
2. Propose **criteria** for 5(b)(4) listing before proposing to list any chemicals
3. Once criteria have been established, evaluate each of 8 phthalates **individually**

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