

FSA Update on PFAS

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PFAS Challenges

- Overarching classification of PFAS
 - Not clearly defined
 - # of applicable chemicals ranges from 4.7k to 10k+
- Labeling all PFAS as hazardous when many are not is problematic.
 - PFOA & PFOS are largely legacy materials that are largely the issue
 - PLC's (Polymers of Low Concern)
- No defined test methods for articles
 - PTFE producers have proprietary methods

U.S. Federal Activities

- <u>H.R. 2467-</u> PFAS Action Act of 2021
 - Directs EPA to:
 - Designate PFOA & PFOS as hazardous substances
 - Determine if all other PFAS are hazardous
 - May allow tiered classifications
 - Time limited- implementation may not be realistic
 - Currently passed the House, on the agenda for fall session in the Senate
- EPA- <u>PFAS Roadmap</u>
- NDAA (National Defense Authorization Act)
 - Provisions for PFAS included
- Sen. Peters/ Collins- 'PFAS Intergovernmental Coordination Act' (NEW)
 - Share and coordinate activities with OMB with representatives from Federal, State and Tribal agencies & Academia



- State level activities with either outright bans or significant 'reporting' requirements
 - Maine
 - California
 - Washington
 - Colorado
 - Massachusetts (focuses on PFOA/ PFOS and related materials)

FSA Activities

- PFAS Task group formed under Government Affairs Committee
- Federal
 - Meeting with U.S. Congressional offices to educate them on FSA's position (facilitated by Ogilvy)
 - Value and safety of fluoropolymers in sealing industry
 - Ubiquitous use and unique nature of these materials
 - FSA engagement with U.S Chamber of Commerce signing on to position statements regarding PFAS

FSA Activities (cont'd)

• State

- Joined ACC (American Chemistry Council)
- Monitoring state level bills and signing on to ACC position papers where applicable
- General
 - Articles, presentations to general public on FSA position where possible
 - Webinars/ Podcasts (Hydraulic Institute, Empowering Pumps)

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