

**Styrene Health Effects:
Science, Regulation and Risk Communication Workshop**
(With Styrene PEL Discussion)
October 28-29, 2009
Holiday Inn & Suites Oakland Airport • Oakland, CA

Nearly 40 participants joined together at the end of October for this event. All survey respondents noted that the event was a "great" or "good" experience. Respondents also noted that the education provided and networking was valuable, and all enjoyed the information conveyed by California Department of Occupational, Safety & Health" speaker Len Welsh.

Here is what attendees said:

"I applaud the ACMA for holding this type of event. It was an excellent forum and provided me with a lot of good information as a manufacturer"

"The open discussion time provided a lot of good insight and I think some very good ideas."

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Program Overview

Participants in this workshop will come away with a better understanding of styrene health effects and recent regulatory activities, as well as risk communication tactics they should be implementing. *This workshop is open to members of the sponsoring organizations: ACMA, SIRC, NMMA, PFPG.*

About the Workshop

The session will explain some of the new science on styrene toxicity and how this could impact the industry. It will include:

- Blue ribbon panel review of human carcinogenicity
- New analysis of the mouse lung tumor model
- Recent reports from a major study of occupational toxicity in a composites manufacturing operation

You'll learn how several regulators are now considering updates to the toxicity classification and regulatory requirements of styrene - including the National Toxicology Program, US EPA's National Center for Environmental Assessment, Cal-EPA, Cal-OSHA, and EU/REACH. Each of these programs could impact the viability of styrene-using industries.

Additionally, ACMA and NMMA members will participate in a discussion of Styrene Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL) and provide input and direction to the associations as they advocate on this issue for the industry.

Through expert presentations and peer discussions, attendees will:

- Understand what the most recent science says about styrene toxicity, including likely health effects and their severity, and exposures at which these health effects might occur.
- Learn what the regulatory agencies are doing about styrene, and how their actions might impact your business. Special attention will be provided to the proposed CA-Prop 65 listing of styrene as a "known carcinogen."
- Utilize ACMA's Risk Communications Program to help you effectively communicate about styrene health risks with your workers, plant neighbors and customers.
- Discuss issues specific to manufacturers of food packaging and other non-composite products.

Agenda

Wednesday, October 28, 2009		
Time	Topic	Speaker
8:00a.m.-9:00a.m.	Registration	
9:00a.m.-12:00p.m.	Styrene PEL Discussion The composites industry is diverse and there are likely to be a variety of viewpoints regarding both the necessity and the feasibility of a revised level below 50ppm. Be a part of the discussion to help ACMA formulate its policy regarding the styrene workplace exposure limit (PEL) and to justify allocation of resources for scientific and advocacy programs.	Speaker: Lowell Miles, Vice Chair, ACMA Gov. Affairs Committee
12:00p.m.-1:15p.m.	California Department of Occupational, Safety & Health Hear from a regulator in California about their plans and approach to Styrene regulation - which is likely to set the standard for the entire US.	Speaker: Len Welsh, California Department of Occupational Safety, Oakland, CA
1:30p.m.-2:15p.m.	Review of Data on Styrene Health Effects including cancer, neurotoxicity, developmental toxicity	George Cruzan, Consulting Toxicologist, SIRC
2:15p.m.-3:00p.m.	Regulatory Status of Styrene NTP, IRIS, Cal-EPA, Cal-DOSH, OSHA, EU (transitional dossier and REACH	Jack Snyder, Executive Director, Styrene Information and Research Center (SIRC)
3:00p.m.-3:15p.m.	Break	
3:15p.m.-3:45p.m.	Complying with a styrene listing under Prop 65 Including the use of NSRL to establish "safe" exposure levels	Peter de la Cruz, Legal Counsel, SIRC
3:45p.m.-4:00p.m.	Q&A	

4:00p.m.-5:00p.m. Concurrent Workshops	<p>Risk Communication for Composite Manufacturers Learn how to use ACMA's risk communication toolkit to discuss styrene issues with your workers and neighbors.</p> <p>Styrene Food Packaging Join with other styrenic product manufacturers to discuss issues specific to styrene use in food packaging and other non-composites products.</p>	<p>John Schweitzer, Senior Director of Government Affairs, ACMA</p> <p>Speaker: Michael Levy, Director of Food Service Packaging Group, ACC</p>
Thursday, October 29, 2009		
9:00a.m.-11:30a.m.	SIRC Meeting (invitation only)	N/A

Location and Hotel Information

Holiday Inn & Suites Oakland Airport • 77 Hegenberger Road • Oakland, CA 94621
Tel: 510-638-7777 • [Hotel Web site](#)

Registration

Open to ACMA, SIRC, NMMA, PFPG members only and includes lunch and workshop materials.

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[Risk Communications Kit](#)

Free download from [ACMA website](#)

Or available on CD-ROM from ACMA Store (Item #: 31-007-0)

Free for members - plus shipping/handling: **\$4.95**

[Styrene Exposure Reduction Opportunities CD-ROM](#)

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