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FPCA President Letter

Dear Current and Future FPCA Members,

I hope your May is starting safely, successfully, and happily. Our industry continues to recover back to pre-covid levels, but perhaps not as quickly as we all would like. Overseas shipping and domestic trucking rates also appear to be leveling, but they have our continued watchful apprehension.

It is an excellent time to regroup and continue to work together to grow our industry. In this spirit, the FPCA board has put together an excellent survey to address any thoughts, concerns, and ideas our members, and potential future members might have. It was sent out at the end of April, and was due May 5th. Gabi Blanco, our VP, is gathering this information to present to our board members at our next meeting on May 11th. At that time we will meet, review the results, and begin to implement some of the changes and suggestions you all have.

Our next FPCA meeting is fast approaching at the fantastic Longboat Key Club! Please reserve September 22nd and 23rd in your calendars, and plan on bringing your family to this wonderful resort. We'll have an excellent venue, great speakers, enjoyable networking with our fellow members, as well as fantastic food and beautiful gulf water views. It is always a highlight for us!

Lastly, please remember YOU are the reason our FPCA continues to grow and thrive. Please feel free to let our board know what all we could do to make your membership more beneficial. We look forward to seeing you soon!

*Have a blessed month and look forward to seeing you all soon!

Regards,
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The advantages of collaboration skills

Collaborative leaders and salespeople get more done, move up the ladder faster, receive more recognition from peers and managers, and have more happy customers.

How to be an exceptional collaborator

Are you recognized as having the ability to bring people together to solve problems or learn something new? If so, you are a good collaborator.

If you feel you lack this skill, try these methods:

1. Look for people around you who know something you don't and treat them as a learning source.

Whether or not you're the one in charge, find ways to develop your own community of diverse people. Most people, even with vastly different backgrounds, are attracted to someone who values their input.

2. Let all your contacts know how much you appreciate them sharing their knowledge and skills.

Don't take the people in your network or sphere of influence for granted.

A pat on the back or a handwritten thank you note will go a long way in showing your gratitude. If you fail to appreciate how much support you receive from your colleagues, you may believe you are more independent than you actually are.

3. Asking for help will give you insights you may never have thought about.

Having input and advice from your contacts will add credibility to your final work.

4. Acknowledge people who give you valuable information.

Giving those same contacts credit for their contributions will guarantee future requests for help will be answered.

5. As you pursue the theme of collaboration, you will become valuable to the total "team."

As you develop your skills of being collaborative, you will find that your ideas and advice will become more valuable.

5. What's in it for you?

Every time you need information or have a difficult task, your voluntary knowledge team is a phone call or email away from providing you help or a solution to a problem.

6. What's the most important takeaway?

One of the most important parts of being an expert collaborator is to keep everyone informed. Touch base constantly, even if you do not have a current need. When people feel part of a collaborative team, they will go out of their way to help all members succeed.

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Washington SB 5369 Passed, Limited to Request for US EPA Re-Assessment of PCB Standards

- May 2, 2023
- Government Affairs
- Contact: Riaz Zaman

In a significant victory for the paint industry, last week, the Washington legislature passed a bill requiring the state Department of Ecology (DOE) to petition the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to reevaluate standards for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). The legislation, Senate Bill 5369, now awaits Gov. Jay Inslee's signature. ACA had vigorously opposed the original bill language, which would have established a complete ban on inadvertent PCBs in paints and printing inks, effective Jan. 1, 2025.

In written and oral testimony, ACA stated its opposition to the bill as initially written, underscoring that it would not significantly reduce PCB contamination in the Spokane River, and that studies indicate that paint is not a major contributor to PCB contamination. While most paints do not contain PCBs, the type of inadvertent PCBs found in some paints – those with certain green and yellow pigments – do not significantly bioaccumulate in fish. Unfortunately, the bill as originally drafted did not distinguish those paint products without PCBs or by pigment type.

Notably, ACA has engaged for many years with the Washington Legislature and the state Department of Ecology (DOE) on this issue, which resulted in DOE's June 2022 report to the Washington Legislature determining, and recommending that no further regulatory action for inadvertent, trace levels of PCBs in paints is necessary, since the federal Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) precludes setting limits on inadvertent PCBs.

The original bill language also included provisions that ACA found problematic, including the following:

- Providing no sell-through provision for existing products on the market.
- If preemption is at issue, a court must determine whether DOE is preempted under TSCA from regulation of inadvertent PCBs; and requiring DOE to adopt a reporting rule for iPCBs if a court determines that DOE is preempted.
- Referencing an understanding of "inadvertent PCBs" as "intentionally added" in a product when a formulation of the product exists without iPCBs. In effect, iPCBs in printing inks and paints would be declared as "intentionally added" simply because DOE reports that alternatives exist.
- Allowing DOE to identify additional products by Oct. 1, 2023 with inadvertent PCBs, which would be subject to a ban 12 months after the agency finalizes a rule listing such products.
- Requiring DOE to petition U.S. EPA to revise TSCA allowances for inadvertent PCBs.

ACA had advocated that the original bill be amended to require a study to identify products that significantly contribute to PCB contamination instead of targeting products with little to no impact on PCB contamination. ACA noted that in listing paint in the Safer Products for Washington Program, DOE did not conduct a comparative analysis of products to identify the most significant contributors to PCB contamination, despite ACA's numerous requests that they conduct such an analysis.

The issue of inadvertent PCBs in the Spokane River is not likely to disappear, and ACA foresees additional work on this issue in the legislative and potentially regulatory arenas. Passage of Senate Bill 5369 and the evolution of its language from a complete ban on products to a requirement for the state agency to submit a petition to the federal agency is a remarkable success for the industry. ACA will continue to advocate reasonable science-based solutions to address the issue of inadvertent PCB contamination in the Spokane River area.



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PHMSA Extends Comment Period for Proposed Rulemaking HM 219D

- May 2, 2023
- Government Affairs
- Contact: Rhett Cash

On April 26, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) published a [notice that extends the comment period](#) for its [proposal to adopt miscellaneous petitions and update certain regulatory requirements](#) (HM-219D). **Comments on the NPRM are now due on June 16, 2023.**

They were originally due May 2.

Most notably, PHMSA's proposed rulemaking seeks to accomplish the following:

- Allow for appropriate flexibility of packaging options in the transportation of compressed natural gas in cylinders;
- Streamline the approval application process for the repair of specific DOT specification cylinders;
- Provide greater clarity on the filling requirements for certain cylinders used to transport hydrogen and hydrogen mixtures;
- Require a specific marking on cylinders to indicate compliance with certain HMR provisions;
- Modify the definition of "liquid" to include the test for determining fluidity (penetrometer test) prescribed in the agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR); and
- Incorporate by reference various Compressed Gas Association (CGA) publications concerning gas cylinders.

The notice published in the *Federal Register* states, "PHMSA expects that the proposed revisions would maintain the high safety standard currently achieved under the HMR while providing clarity and appropriate regulatory flexibility in the transport of hazardous materials. PHMSA also notes that— insofar as adoption of the petitions as proposed could reduce delays and interruptions of hazardous materials shipments during transportation —the proposed amendments may also lower greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and safety risks to minority, low-income, underserved, and other disadvantaged populations and communities in the vicinity of interim storage sites and transportation arteries and hubs."

ACA is guided by its Transport Committee in the monitoring and direction of matters germane to the safe, secure, and economic movement of industry members' products and the raw materials used in them.



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Discarding Household Paint & Electronics

Five intact household electronic items are accepted along with ancillary equipment such as keyboards and routers each month. The items must not be stripped or missing their housing as the sharp edges and exposed components can cause injuries.

You can take paint and electronics, with the exception of the items listed as not accepted, to eligible Community Collection Centers (CCC) during normal operating times. Paint is also accepted at [Household Hazardous Waste](#) (HHW) collection sites, which are operated at various locations, one Saturday per month. Electronics are not accepted at HHW's.

[Download Household Hazardous Waste Program brochure](#)

Types of Items accepted at eligible facilities*

- Paint – Latex & Oil based Paint/Stain/Varnish
 - **Limit: 10 one-gallon containers and 5 five-gallon containers; must be sealed and not leaking**
- Computers and components
- Computer Backup Power Supply
- Fax machines
- Laptop computers
- Monitors
- Printers
- Radios
- Stereo components
- Telephones/Cellphones
- Televisions
- VCR/DVD players

*This is not a complete list of what is accepted.

Do not throw these items away in your curbside carts. If you have questions, call (813) 272-5680.

Items not accepted

Where to take paint and electronics

Eligible facilities are listed below:

- [Alderman's Ford Solid Waste Facility](#)
- [Hillsborough Heights Solid Waste Facility](#)
 - Third Saturday of each month accepts household hazardous waste
- [Northwest County Solid Waste Facility](#)
[South County Solid Waste Facility](#)
 - Second Saturday of each month accepts household hazardous waste
- [Wimauma Solid Waste Facility](#)

What to bring

- Photo ID
- If you have *any materials other than paint and/or electronics*, you may also need a copy of your tax bill, either printed or on your smartphone or tablet



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