

Resources for Businesses

to help you reduce chemicals of concern

Identifying Hazards and Assessing & Selecting Alternatives

GreenScreen for Safer Chemicals – a globally recognized tool designed to assess and benchmark chemicals based on hazard. Companies and governments use GreenScreen benchmark scores to identify chemicals of concern to human health and the environment, select safer alternatives, and to track and communicate their progress. GreenScreen criteria and guidance are fully transparent and available for anyone to use. greenscreenchemicals.org



Green Chemicals in Commerce (GC3) The Green Chemistry & Commerce Council (GC3) is a cross sectoral, business-to-business network of companies and other organizations working collaboratively to advance green chemistry across sectors and supply chains. greenchemistryandcommerce.org



Healthy Building Network & Pharos Project – Healthy Building Network seeks to reduce the use of hazardous chemicals in building products as a means of improving human health and the environment. healthybuilding.net The Pharos Project includes building materials and chemical and materials libraries to select safer materials. pharosproject.net



Interstate Chemicals Clearinghouse – a multi-state/jurisdiction collaboration that tracks, among other things, chemicals of concern identified under state laws. www.theic2.org



Overall Company Impact

Retailer Report Card – crafted by the Mind the Store campaign, jointly released in 2017 with the Getting Ready for Baby campaign and the Campaign for Healthier Solutions – uses 14 key metrics to grade top retailers for chemical policy, oversight, disclosure, safer alternatives, and use of third party standards. www.retailerreportcard.com



Chemical Footprint Project – seeks to transform global chemical use by measuring and disclosing data on business progress to safer chemicals. It provides an internal assessment survey for companies to benchmark their efforts in reducing their chemical footprint. www.chemicalfootprint.org



Women's Voices for the Earth – a national nonprofit focused on environmental health has launched a new Health First roadmap for cleaning product makers for selecting safer chemicals. www.womensvoices.org/HealthFirst



Certifications of Products

MADE SAFE – a non-profit, independent organization that certifies companies that meet criteria for avoiding a wide range of chemicals of concern. www.madesafe.org



Green Seal – an independent, third-party certifying program develops Environmental Leadership Standards that are credible, transparent, and essential to helping manufacturers, purchasers, and



consumers make responsible choices. Thousands of products and services in hundreds of categories have been certified to meet Green Seal Standards. www.greenseal.org

Cradle to Cradle - an independent, third-party certifier with a products registry and certification process for manufacturers and designers aimed at creating a circular economy.
www.c2ccertified.org/products/registry



GreenScreen Certified – certified products based on Green Screen program greenscreenchemicals.org

Support for your business

NYS Pollution Prevention Institute - uses applied research, technology transfer, education, and outreach to engage in cost-effective solutions for businesses that reduce toxic chemical use, increase efficiency in materials, energy and water use, and reduce environmental emissions and waste generation.

www.nyssp2i.rit.edu

BizNGO Workgroup for Safer Chemicals and Sustainable Materials – a collaboration between businesses and nonprofits working to support transition to safer chemicals. bizngo.org

Purchasing Resources

- Green NY (OGS) - New York State's Green Purchasing program www.ogs.ny.gov/GreenNY/default.asp
- Green Health Exchange - A membership-based group-purchasing organization focused offering bulk prices for less-toxic products used by hospitals www.greenhealthexchange.com
- The Green Office www.thegreenoffice.com/
- Sustainable Furnishings Council sustainablefurnishings.org
- Responsible Purchasing Network responsiblepurchasing.org

Selling Green

- NYS Green Procurement (DEC) (see below)
- FTC Green Guides Enforcement (marketing claims)

Program Guidelines/Guidance

- New York State Green Procurement Specifications www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/96744.html
- NY Green Cleaning Program <https://greencleaning.ny.gov/Benefits.asp>
- Chemical Footprint Assessment <http://www.chemicalfootprint.org/assess/assessment-tool>
- Westchester Green Business
<http://climatechange.westchestergov.com/join-westchester-green-business/about>



NYSBC works with business leaders in support of policy and programs that enhance triple bottom line economic growth, environmental stewardship and social progress.

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