

EPA/SRRTTF TSCA Meeting

April 26, 2017

Outcomes/Expectations:

The SRRTTF intends this meeting to be an initial discussion that leads to a robust stakeholder process. Our goal is to identify technically and legally defensible solutions that address the regulatory conflicts between the TSCA/water quality standards. Development of next steps to make this happen should be the primary outcome of this initial meeting.

Questions for EPA National Office of Water and National Toxics Office:

1. Please describe the capabilities of the Office of Water and Toxics to resolve the conflicts between TSCA and the water quality.
 - a. What types of challenges do you anticipate in addressing cross-program concerns?
 - b. Do you have examples where collaboration between the two offices has taken place to resolve similar concerns?
2. What types of processes does EPA have that will help bring together diverse stakeholders to resolve complex technical and legal regulatory concerns?
 - a. Are these processes typically driven by the agency or stakeholders?
 - b. What are the pros and cons of a FACA process, vs. others?
3. From our discussion today, do you anticipate that EPA can initiate a collaborative stakeholder group to provide solutions between the TSCA and water quality program discrepancies or is a higher action (such as Congressional or administrative) necessary?
4. Have there been internal discussions within EPA regarding the discrepancies between TSCA and water quality standards?
 - a. If so, can EPA share the essence of these discussions?
 - b. Have there been potential solutions presented that can be shared?
5. The SRRTTF believes this issue warrants national attention and therefore is willing to be the catalyst for furthering the discussions. What specifically can EPA provide from the Office of Water and the National Toxics office in order to successfully move this forward?