



## **Guidance Manual**

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### 1. General information

#### 1.1 Introduction

On November 13, 2021, the Notice with respect to bisphenol A (BPA) and BPA structural analogues and functional alternatives (the notice) was published in the Canada Gazette, Part I, pursuant to paragraph 71(1)(b) of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 (the Act). The notice has a deadline of March 16, 2022, and applies to 188 substances.

The purpose of the notice is to gather information from Canadian manufacturers, importers and users on the commercial status, industrial processes (e.g., facility releases), and downstream use of BPA and BPA structural analogues and functional alternatives (BPA SAFAs) in Canada.

The collected information will be used to inform:

- prioritization decisions;
- risk assessment actions by Environment and Climate Change Canada and Health Canada; and
- risk management measures, if needed.

For more information on the management of chemical substances, please visit the Government of Canada's <u>Chemicals Management Plan</u> webpage. For more information on BPA SAFAs, visit the <u>BPA SAFAs webpage</u>.

This document only provides guidance for responding to the notice. In the case of a discrepancy between this document and the notice or the Act, the official versions of the notice and the Act take precedence.

## 1.2 Reasonably accessible information

If you are subject to the notice, you are required to provide information that your organization (company) possesses or to which you may be reasonably expected to have access. Manufacturers would be reasonably expected to have access to their formulations. When importing a substance or good, it is reasonable that the importer has access to import records and relevant Safety Data Sheets (SDS). Additional sources of information that may be useful in locating required information that is not found in the previously listed sources include industry trade journals, patents or books/encyclopedias (CRC Press, Ullmann's Encyclopedia of Industrial Chemistry, etc.).

**TIP:** The terms "organization" and "company" capture the legal business name or the name of the person, as specified in the notice in paragraph 6(a), and are used interchangeably.

Your supply chain and sector association may be able to provide more detailed information on the product composition. Suppliers or customers may have information that you may not be aware of. For example, your customers may be able to provide you with information on substances in final goods available for sale to end users and your suppliers may be able to provide you with the composition of imported goods. Although an SDS is an important source of information on the composition of a product, it should be noted that the goal of the SDS is to protect the health of workers in the workplace from specific hazards of chemical products. Therefore, an SDS may not list all product ingredients that may be subject to the notice. Any person requiring more detailed information on product composition is encouraged to contact their supplier.

To that purpose, a Government of Canada letter for communicating with your foreign suppliers is available upon request by contacting the <u>Substances Management</u> <u>Information Line</u> via <u>email</u>. The letter may help you obtain information from your suppliers in order to complete your response to the notice.

Working and communicating with your supply chain to obtain the requested information and meet the reporting obligations will help the Government of Canada ensure all activities related to substances in this notice are considered before taking any further action.

Suppliers who wish to protect their data can submit the information directly to the Government of Canada as a <u>blind submission</u>. Contact the <u>Substances Management Information Line</u> and provide your justification for confidentiality, the sections/subsections of the notice for which you have information, and the contact information for the person with access to the remaining information to complete the response to the notice.

**TIP:** You are not required to conduct tests to comply with the notice. However, you are expected to make reasonable efforts to obtain information through your supply chain.

### 1.2.1 Not reasonably accessible information clause

The following data elements requested in this notice may be considered as not reasonably accessible (NRA) if your company is not in the possession of these AND reasonable efforts to obtain information across the supply chain did not yield the necessary information OR if monitoring did not occur in 2019:

Section 8

- Annual average concentration [of the substance in discharged effluent] (µg/L)
- Annual maximum concentration [of the substance in discharged effluent] (µg/L)

#### • Section 10

- The concentration, or range of concentrations, of the substance [in a good] by weight (w/w%)
- o The quantity, or quantity range, of the substance [in a good] in kilograms
- Whether the substance is intended to or may be in direct contact with food or beverage, as opposed to being on the exterior of the packaging or container
- The types of foods or beverage that could be contained in and in contact with the packaging or container

#### • Section 11

- The chemical identity or Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number (CAS RN¹) of the reactants or components of the substance
- The concentration, or range of concentrations, of each reactant or component [of a reportable substance] by weight (w/w%)

Note that for Section 8, the concentration in effluent is only requested if it is available for 2019; new or additional monitoring is not requested.

However, please note that the above information is necessary to help the Government of Canada ensure that all activities representative of the Canadian context (e.g., commercial activities, levels of substance use, substance quantities) are considered before taking any further action. The absence of information may result in the use of conservative assumptions in risk assessments. Consequently, risk management measures may be implemented that impact your ability to sell certain substances or goods containing these substances in Canada.

## 1.3 Reporting deadline

Mandatory responses to the notice must be provided no later than **March 16, 2022**, and must be completed using the online reporting system available through <u>Environment and Climate Change Canada's Single Window</u> (see Parts\_14\_and\_15).

## 2. Schedule 1 of the notice – Reportable substances

Schedule 1 of the notice lists 188 reportable substances subject to this notice and is divided into two separate parts.

Part 1 contains 181 substances including BPA and BPA SAFAs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CAS RN: Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number. The Chemical Abstracts Service information is the property of the American Chemical Society and any use or redistribution, except as required in supporting regulatory requirements and/or for reports to the Government of Canada when the information and the reports are required by law or administrative policy, is not permitted without the prior, written permission of the American Chemical Society.

 Part 2 contains 7 substances of unknown or variable composition, complex reaction products or biological materials (UVCBs) that are considered as BPA SAFAs for the purposes of this notice.

For Part 1 substances, information is required for Sections 7 to 10 of the notice. For Part 2 substances, information is also required for Section 11 if the substance is manufactured or used to produce a good.

For the complete list of reportable substances, refer to the notice. An Excel version of the list is also available under the "Substances and Code Lists" tab of the Excel Reporting File (available through the Information gathering initiatives page).

# 3. Sections 2 and 3 of the notice – Persons required to provide information

The notice applies to any person who, during the 2019 calendar year, satisfied any of the following criteria:

- manufactured a total quantity greater than 10 kg of a substance;
- **imported** a total quantity greater than 10 kg of a substance, whether the substance was:
  - (a) alone;
  - (b) at a concentration equal to or above 0.02% by weight (w/w%) in a mixture or in a product; or
  - (c) at a concentration equal to or above 0.02% by weight (w/w%) in a reportable manufactured item\*; or
- used a total quantity greater than 10 kg of a substance, whether the substance
  was alone or at a concentration equal to or above 0.02% in a good, to produce
  a good.

\*The 12 categories of reportable manufactured items are listed, with examples, in <u>Table</u> 1 of subpart 3.3 of this document.

**TIP:** You must consider each activity (manufacture, import, used to produce) with each substance separately. Examples are provided in <u>subpart 3.5</u>

The subparts that follow provide additional details on the reporting criteria that you must consider when determining whether you are required to respond to the notice:

- calendar year;
- reportable activities;

- <u>substances and mixtures, products, or manufactured items (goods);</u>
- quantity and concentration thresholds (of substance itself); and
- exclusions.

Your answers to the questions in the top part of <u>Figure 1</u> will provide an indication of whether you are required to report under the notice. <u>Subpart 3.5</u> of this document also provides information on calculating the total quantity of a substance in a mixture, product or manufactured item and includes examples of companies that meet or do not meet the reporting criteria of the notice.

### 3.1 Calendar year targeted by the notice

The notice applies to the 2019 calendar year.

If you do not meet the reporting requirements for 2019, you are not legally obligated to respond to the notice. However, if you had activity with a reportable substance (e.g., imported, manufactured, exported the substance, or used the substance to produce a good) for a different calendar year but not in 2019, the information may be of interest to the Government, and you are encouraged to provide this information via a <u>Declaration of Stakeholder Interest</u> (SHI).

Please note that persons who do not meet the requirements of the notice and have no interest in the substances may submit a Declaration of Non-Engagement (DNE).

### 3.2 Reportable activities

Three activities are subject to the notice: manufacture, import and use to produce a good.

#### 3.2.1 Manufacture

"Manufacture" relates to the creation or production of the substance itself and includes both the intentional and the incidental production of the substance. Manufacture does not refer to the manufacture of a good (mixture, product or manufactured item) containing the substance.

Incidental production of a substance may occur if, during the process of blending or formulating, a chemical reaction occurs that results in the production of a substance that is reportable under the notice.

Sometimes there is confusion between the terms "use" and "manufacture". Typically, using a reportable substance to fabricate a good is NOT considered "manufacture" for the purposes of reporting to Environment and Climate Change Canada as you are not creating the substance. In this case, the activity would be considered as "use to produce a good", which is another type of reportable activity (Part 3.2.3).

#### **3.2.2 Import**

"Import" relates specifically to the movement into Canada from another country of any substance identified in the notice, whether alone or in a good.

Examples of activities that meet the definition of "import":

- Your Canadian company purchased one of the substances listed in the notice from a foreign supplier, and the substance was shipped directly from the foreign supplier to your location in Canada.
- Your Canadian company ordered a mixture containing one of the substances from a foreign supplier, and the mixture was shipped directly from the foreign supplier to your distribution warehouse in Canada.
- Your Canadian company received a polymer or pre-polymer containing a monomeric component listed as reportable substance during an internal company transfer from a foreign source.
- Your Canadian company purchased a manufactured item that contains a reportable substance from a foreign source, and the manufactured item was shipped directly from the foreign source to your location in Canada.

Examples of activities that do not meet the definition of "import":

- Your Canadian company ordered a product containing one of the substances from a warehouse located in Canada.
- Your Canadian company transferred a mixture or product containing one of the substances across provincial borders to be stored in a different warehouse.
- Your Canadian company purchased or received one of the substances alone, or in a mixture or product, that was already located in Canada.

#### 3.2.2.1 Foreign suppliers and Importers of record

An importer is the person responsible for the movement of a reportable substance into Canada from another country. For the purposes of the notice, the person responsible for responding to the notice is the company who "caused" the substance to come into Canada. In other words, the substance came into Canada on their request. This should not be confused with an "Importer of Record", which is a term used by the Canadian Border Services Agency and may or may not be the same company that is required to report to a notice.

The foreign supplier (i.e., exporting to Canada, located outside of Canada) is not required to respond to the notice. Rather, the receiver (who imports to Canada) is subject to the notice if the requirements are met. Foreign suppliers are encouraged to inform their Canadian customers (i.e., Canadian importers) that they import a reportable substance and may meet the reporting requirements of the notice. Foreign suppliers can also choose to submit information and respond to the notice on behalf of Canadian importers. If Confidential Business Information (CBI) cannot be shared with Canadian importers to allow them to respond to the notice, please refer to Part 13 of the document

for information on the blind submission process. This process allows foreign suppliers and their Canadian importers to collaborate and provide all the information required in the notice while still protecting CBI.

#### 3.2.3 Use to produce a good

"Use to produce a good" relates specifically to using a reportable substance, whether alone or in a mixture, in a product, or in a manufactured item (good) to produce (i.e., to create, to make) another mixture, product or manufactured item (good).

**Tip:** Any manufactured item produced in Canada containing the substance, even those not within the list of <u>imported reportable</u> manufactured items categories, are reportable.

Examples of activities that meet the definition of use to produce a good:

- ☑ You blend a reportable substance with other components to make Mixture Z.
- ☑ You react a reportable substance with Substance C to prepare Product Y.
- ✓ You blend a mixture containing a reportable substance as an impurity, present at 0.02% concentration, with other components to make another mixture.
- ✓ You blend a mixture containing a reportable substance with other components to produce a manufactured item.
- You use a reportable substance as a monomer component in the process of producing a polymer.
- ☑ You use a reportable substance alone as a plasticizer to produce Product X.
- You use a small, manufactured item containing a reportable substance to produce a bigger manufactured item.

Examples of activities that <u>do not meet</u> the definition of use to produce a good:

You use Product V, which contains a reportable substance, to service machinery and equipment, including machinery and equipment used in the manufacture of your products. You are not required to report since you are considered an end-user of Product V.

## 3.3 Substance and mixtures, products or manufactured item (goods)

A "**substance**" means any substance listed in Part 1 and 2 of Schedule 1 of this notice.

A "**mixture**" is a combination of substances that does not produce a substance that is different from the substances that were combined, including, but not limited to, a prepared formulation, hydrate, and reaction mixture that are characterized in terms of their constituents, and homogenous and heterogeneous alloys.

A "**product**" is anything that does not meet the definition of a substance (Schedule 1 substance), mixture or manufactured item. For the purposes of this notice, a polymer or pre-polymer is considered a product.

Examples of mixtures or products that may be reportable if they contain a substance listed in Schedule 1 of the notice:

- paints and coatings
- ink toners and colourants
- thermal paper coating
- cosmetics and personal care products such as lipstick, mascara, eye shadow, toothpaste, mouthwash, creams (including sunscreen), and lotions
- cleaning liquids, gels or sprays
- putties, epoxy resins, adhesives, glues and lubricants
- dental sealants
- polymers

A "**manufactured item**" is an item that is formed into a specific physical shape or design during manufacture and has, for its final use, a function or functions dependent in whole or in part on its shape or design.

<u>Twelve categories of imported manufactured items</u> are reportable under this notice, targeting items that are considered to be key sources of exposure to the general population. Schedule 1 substances imported in other manufactured items are not reportable under the notice.

**Tip:** For a specific substance, one or more of the categories identified in Table 1 can be applicable.

Table 1: Categories of reportable imported manufactured items and examples

Categories of reportable manufactured items	Examples of manufactured items
Intended to be used by or for children	Play mats; pacifiers; toys for babies and
under the age of 14 years	toddlers; board books; teething toys; plastic
	jewelry and finger paints.
Intended to come into contact with	Cotton-tipped applicators; mouth guards;
the mucosa of an individual	dentures; orthodontic equipment (e.g.,
	braces); hearing aids; nasal sprays;
	thermometers; tissue; tampons; condoms;
	and contact lenses.

Categories of reportable manufactured items	Examples of manufactured items
Cookware, or a cooking or serving utensil that is intended to come into direct contact with heated food or beverage	Pots and pans; woks; griddles; serving soup ladles or spatulas; plates; bowls; and cutlery.
Food packaging materials*, including single-serve/disposable bowls, plates, cups, other serving-ware, as well as food cans and lid liners, that are intended to or may come into direct contact with food or beverage	Plastic single-serve or disposable containers such as bowls, plates and cups; plastic bottles such as disposable water bottles; plastic, wax and aluminum food wrap; cereal liner bags; food or beverage cans or jars; lids of cans or jars, including lid liners; infant formula containers; and coffee cups.
Reusable food or beverage container	Reusable water bottles; travel mugs; reusable food storage plastic containers and lids; and baby bottles.
Used as intended in a manner such that the substance may be inhaled, or come into dermal or oral contact with an individual	Scented paper items; air fresheners; scented candles; scented markers; dryer sheets; cleaning wipes; lip sticks; face masks and shields; beauty face mask; disposable and non-disposable gloves; ink cartridges; mouth guards; piercings; mobile phone cases; and dental retainers or aligners.
Clothing or footwear, including life jackets and personal flotation devices	Shirts; pants; outerwear (e.g., coats, gloves, hats); undergarments (e.g., underwear or boxer shorts); sleepwear (e.g., pajamas); socks; shoes; boots; slippers; sporting gear (e.g., skates, helmets, shin pads and hockey/baseball gloves); protective clothing used in an occupational setting; inflatable vests; and life jackets.  NOT reportable: wallets; handbags;
Bedding, sleeping bags and towels	backpacks.  Sheets; pillow cases; blankets; sleeping bags;
	bathroom and kitchen towels; mattress protectors; and camper and camping bedding.

Categories of reportable manufactured items	Examples of manufactured items
	NOT reportable: Tents.
Furniture, mattress, cushion or pillow intended to be used by an individual, where the substance is contained in foam or leather or in a textile fibre, yarn or fabric	Mattresses including foam mattresses; pillows; cushions; chairs, sofas; mattress pads; camping or camper mattresses, cushions or pillows; and vehicle and airplane seats.  NOT reportable: Lamps; televisions; dentist chairs; surgical tables; hospital beds; desks; cabinets; and book cases.
Carpet, vinyl or laminate flooring, or foam underlay for flooring, intended to be used by an individual	Carpets and rugs; laminate and vinyl flooring; engineered hardwood, bamboo, and cork wood flooring; stone floorings (i.e., slate and marble); porcelain stoneware; ceramic tiles; vehicle carpet; and floorings in homes, office buildings, hospitals, medical or sports facilities.
Water pipes	PVC pipes; PEX pipes; and polycarbonate tubing.
Thermal paper	Point of sale receipts (e.g., cash registers, wireless payment terminals, ATMs, banks); labels (e.g., prescriptions, industrial barcodes, packaged items such as supermarket foods (e.g., deli meats, cheese, bulk items), retail shelf labels); tickets (e.g., airline, train, cinema, parking, theater, gaming, sporting events, amusement parks, arenas, museums, lottery); and laboratory printouts (e.g., ultrasound, electrocardiogram (EKG), printouts from other laboratory/medical recorders).

## Important definitions to consider:

- **Food packaging material** means anything in which a food or beverage is wholly or partly contained, placed, or packed.
- **Mucosa** is defined as a group of mucous membranes that line parts of the body which lead to the outside and are exposed to air (i.e., mouth and digestive tract, urogenital tract (urethra and vagina), respiratory tract (including the nose), eyes, and ears).

- Direct contact with food occurs when a manufactured item (e.g., cookware, cooking or serving utensils, reusable food or beverage containers, or food packaging) is not separated from the food or beverage by an effective functional barrier, so there is potential for substances to migrate to the food or beverage.
- **Textile fibre** means any natural or manufactured matter that is capable of being made into a yarn or fabric and includes human hair, kapok, feathers and down and animal hair or fur that has been removed from an animal skin.
- Fabric means any material woven, knitted, crocheted, knotted, braided, felted, bonded, laminated or otherwise produced from, or in combination with, a textile fibre.

A "good", for the purpose of this notice, is a mixture, a product or a manufactured item.

### 3.4 Quantity and concentration thresholds

According to the thresholds provided in Table 2 any person who manufactured a substance, imported a substance, whether alone or in a good, or used a substance, whether alone or in a good, to produce a good, must respond to the notice.

Table 2: Quantity and concentration thresholds for responding to the notice

Reportable Activity	Calendar Year	Substance Alone	Substance in goods	Quantity threshold for substance	Concentration threshold for substance in goods (w/w%)
Manufacture	2019	V	-	> 10 kg	_
Import	2019	$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$	$\square$	> 10 kg	≥ 0.02%
Use to produce a good*	2019	Ø	V	> 10 kg	≥ 0.02%**

<sup>\*</sup> Use to produce a mixture, product or <u>any</u> manufactured item (not only those within categories listed in table 1)

When responding to the notice, you must report the quantities of the reportable substance itself, in kilograms (kg), and not the quantity of the mixture, product or manufactured item containing the substance. Refer to <u>subpart 3.5</u> of this document for additional information on calculating quantities of a reportable substance.

**Tip:** Remember that the quantity threshold applies to each activity and each substance, on a <u>company-wide basis</u>.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The concentration threshold is applicable to the good that is used, not to the good that is produced.

If you imported substance in a good in 2019, you will need to determine whether you meet the applicable concentration threshold. Similarly, if you used a good containing a reportable substance to produce another good, you will also need to determine whether you meet the applicable concentration threshold.

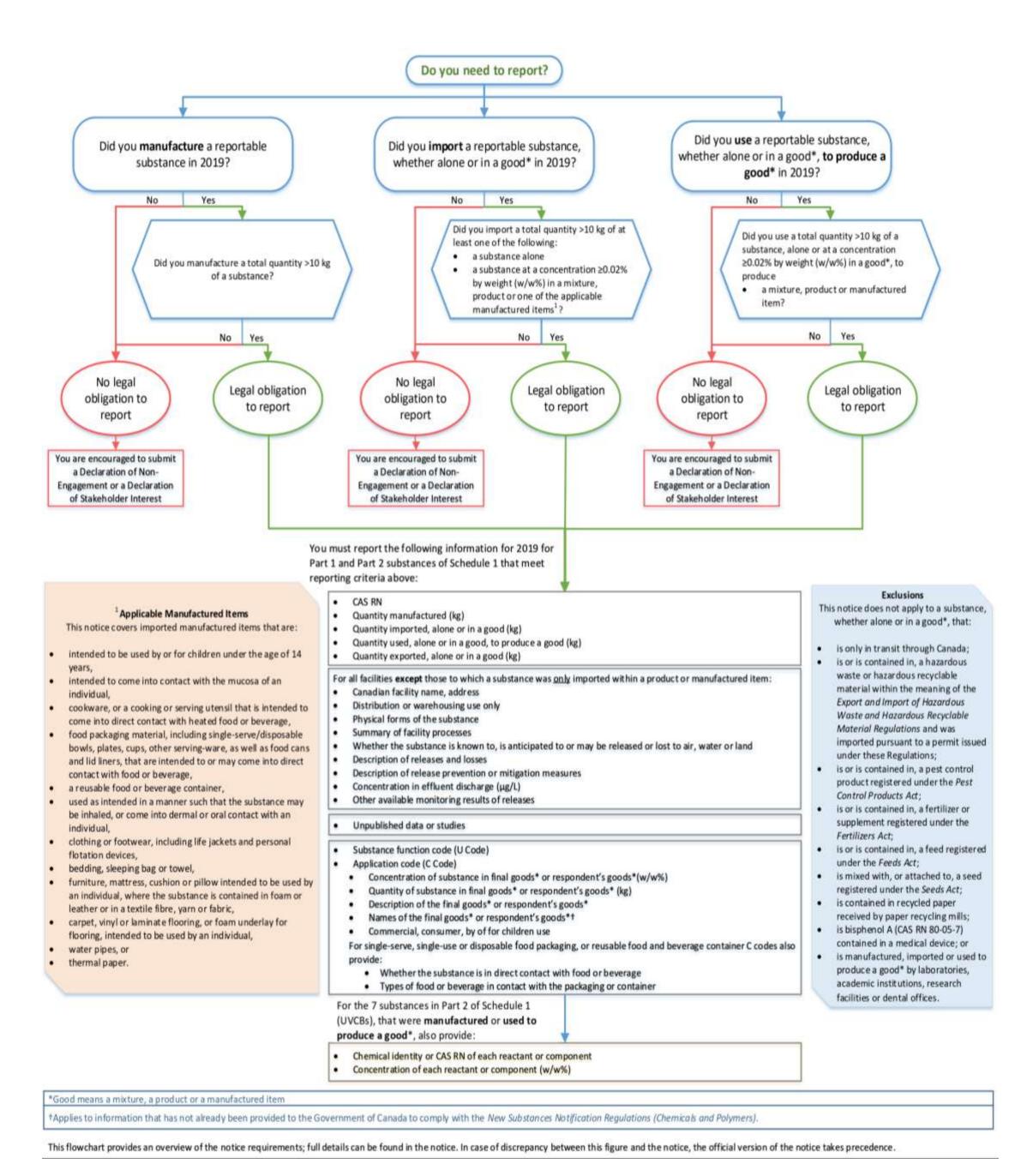


Figure 1. Overview of requirements for the notice

### 3.5 How do I determine if I need to respond?

Your answers to the questions in the top part of <u>Figure 1</u> above can provide an indication of whether you are required to report under the notice if an <u>exclusion</u> does not apply to your situation. <u>Equation 1(a)</u> and <u>1(b)</u> provide the general formula for determining the quantity of a substance in a good as well as conversion factors for concentration.

The sample calculation and examples below may also help you determine whether your company meets the reporting criteria of the notice.

Equation 1(a): General formula for determining the total quantity of a substance in goods

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Total Quantity _{(Substance\ A)} = (Quantity_{(Good\ X)} \times \% \ Concentration_{(Substance\ A)})
+ (Quantity_{(Good\ Y)} \times \% \ Concentration_{(Substance\ A)})

Where,

Quantity = quantity in kilograms
Substance A = a substance listed in Schedule 1 of the notice;
Good X and Y = any mixture, product or manufactured item containing substance A; and % Concentration = percent concentration of Substance A by weight (\frac{W}{W}\%)
in a mixture, product or manufactured item.
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Equation 1(b): Conversion factors for concentration

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x_{(\%)} = x_{(ppm)} \div 10\ 000
1% = 10 000 ppm and 1 ppm = 0.0001%
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### Example for total import quantity of a substance:

→ In 2019, your company imported 8 kg of reportable substance Y alone, 500 kg of Good X, which contained 200 ppm of reportable Substance Y, and 75 kg of Good Y also containing 200 ppm of Substance Y. The concentration of Substance Y is determined as follows in each good:

$$0.02\% = 200 \text{ ppm } \div 10 000$$

Therefore, Substance Y meets the concentration threshold of  $\geq$  0.02% for an imported good; however, Substance Y must also meet the total quantity threshold, which is determined as follows:

 $Total\ Quantity_{(Substance\ Y)}$ 

$$= 8 \text{kg} + (500 \text{ kg}_{(Good X)} \times \frac{0.02}{100}_{(Substance Y)}) + (75 \text{ kg}_{(Good Y)} \times \frac{0.02}{100}_{(Substance Y)})$$

Total Quantity<sub>(Substance Y)</sub> = 
$$8.115 \text{ kg}$$

Since the total quantity of the imported substance is less than the total quantity threshold of >10 kg, <u>you do not meet</u> the reporting criteria for the substance even if the  $\geq 0.02\%$  concentration threshold is met. You are therefore not required to report the import of Substance Y.

#### Example for total quantity used to produce a good:

→ In 2019, your company used 300 000 kg of Mixture X that contained 0.03% of Substance Y to produce a Good Z. The total quantity of Substance Y that is used is determined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Quantity}_{(\text{Substance Y})} &= 300\ 000 \text{kg}_{(\text{Mixture X})} \times \frac{0.03}{100}_{(\text{Substance Y})} \\ &\quad \text{Quantity}_{(\text{Substance Y})} &= 90\ \text{kg} \end{aligned}$$

Since the total quantity of the substance used (i.e., 90kg) is above the total quantity reporting threshold of >10kg and the concentration of the substance in the mixture that is used is above the  $\geq 0.02\%$  concentration threshold, <u>you meet</u> the reporting criteria for the substance. You are therefore required to report the use of Substance Y.

The following examples provide additional guidance for determining whether you meet the reporting criteria of the notice.

Your company meets the reporting criteria if:

- In 2019, your company **imported** 170 500 kg of a mixture, that contained 250 ppm (0.025%) of a substance described in Schedule 1 of the notice. Therefore, the quantity of the reportable substance imported was 42.63 kg. 100 000 kg of the mixture (containing 25kg of the substance) was then **used** by the company **to produce** thermal paper in the same calendar year. In this case, the company meets the calendar year, concentration (≥ 0.02%) and quantity (>10 kg) thresholds of the reporting criteria for the import activity. The company <u>also meets</u> the quantity and concentration reporting criteria for the **use to produce a good** activity; therefore, you are required to respond to the notice for both activities.
- ✓ In 2019, the company manufactured 40 kg of a substance described in Schedule 1 of the notice. In this case, you meet the calendar year, reportable activity and quantity threshold (>10 kg) of the reporting criteria.

- In 2019, your company imported 60 000 kg of food packaging that contained a substance described in Schedule 1 of the notice. The concentration of that substance was 0.02%. As a result, the total quantity of the reportable substance imported was 12 kg. Therefore, the company meets the calendar year, reportable activity, concentration threshold (≥ 0.02%) and quantity threshold (>10 kg) for responding to the notice.
- ✓ In 2019, a reportable substance was imported alone from a foreign supplier and is shipped directly to each of your four Canadian facilities. The facilities receive 9 kg, 8 kg, 5 kg, and 40 kg of the reportable substance respectively. You imported a total of 62 kg of the reportable substance on a company-wide basis. In this case, the company meets the calendar year and quantity (>10 kg) threshold of the reporting criteria for the import activity.
- In 2019, your company **imported** 70 000 kg of an adhesive which contained 300 ppm (0.03%) of a substance described in Schedule 1 of the notice (equal to 21 kg of the substance) and 500 000 kg of food cans that contained 30 ppm (0.003%) of the same substance (equal to 15 kg of the substance). As the food cans <u>do not meet</u> the concentration threshold of ≥ 0.02%, you are not required to consider the food cans in your calculations. However, since the company <u>meets</u> the substance quantity threshold (>10 kg), concentration threshold (≥ 0.02%), calendar year and reportable activity for the adhesive, you are only required to report on the adhesive (containing 21 kg of the substance).

**Tip:** If you know that the quantity threshold is met but the concentration information is not available to you even after reasonable efforts were made to obtain that information from your supply chain, you should respond to the notice and inform your supplier of the <u>blind submission</u> process.

Your company does not meet the reporting criteria if:

- In the company **manufactured** 100 kg of a substance described in Schedule 1 of the notice during the 2018 calendar year only. In this case, the company <u>does</u> not meet the calendar year criterion for reporting.
- In 2019, your company **imported** 110 000 kg of a manufactured item that contained 0.01% of a substance described in Schedule 1 of the notice. Therefore, the total quantity of the substance imported was 11 kg. Although the company meets the substance quantity threshold (>10 kg), it does not meet the concentration threshold (≥ 0.02%).
- In 2019, your company **used** 500 kg of a mixture that contained 600 ppm (0.06%) of a substance described in Schedule 1 of the notice **to produce** a product. Although you meet the substance concentration threshold (≥ 0.02%), you <u>do not meet</u> the quantity threshold (>10 kg) as only 0.3 kg of the substance was used.

- Your records indicate that you do not have an interest in any of the substances listed in Schedule 1 of the notice.
  - → You may submit a <u>Declaration of Non Engagement</u>.
- In 2019, your dental office imported dental sealants containing 50 kg of a substance described in Schedule 1 of the notice.
  - → Although dental offices are excluded from reporting to the notice, information on dental sealants could inform risk assessment. You may provide the information on the substance, by submitting a <u>Declaration of Stakeholder Interest</u>.

**Tip:** If you had activities with a reportable substance below the thresholds, it is still valuable information that you are encouraged to report. You can submit the information via a <u>Declaration of Stakeholder Interest</u>.

## 4. Section 4 - Exclusions

There are several exclusions that apply to this notice, which are found in Section 4 of the notice. The notice does not apply to a substance, whether alone or in a good, that:

- is only in transit through Canada;
  - → "In transit" refers to the portion of an international transboundary movement of a substance through the territory of a country that is neither the point of origin nor the final destination. Whether something is considered in transit has to do with shipping destinations of the goods at the time of entry into Canada. Cases where goods are warehoused in Canada and then sold/distributed to foreign customers are reportable.

The following two scenarios illustrate what may and may not be considered "in transit":

- Goods are shipped from Europe to the Port of Halifax, where they are transferred to trucks that transport them to Toronto, where the goods are transferred to rail cars that transport them to British Columbia before being transferred to another truck, which transports them to their final destination in Seattle, Washington. While in Canada, these goods are considered "in transit".
- Goods are shipped from Europe to the Port of Halifax, where they are transferred to trucks and transported to a Toronto-based destination. The goods remain on their pallets, shrink wrapped, and are stored in a distribution warehouse until such time as they are sold internationally (for

example, to a company located in Seattle, Washington) and subsequently shipped accordingly (exported). While in Canada, these goods **are not considered** "in transit".

- is, or is contained in, a hazardous waste or hazardous recyclable material within the meaning of the <a href="Export and Import of Hazardous Waste and Hazardous Recyclable Material Regulations">Export and Import of Hazardous Waste and Hazardous Recyclable Material Regulations</a> and was imported pursuant to a permit issued under these Regulations;
- is, or is contained in, a pest control product registered under the <u>Pest Control</u> Products Act;
- is, or is contained in, a fertilizer or supplement registered under the Fertilizers Act;
- is, or is contained in, a feed registered under the <u>Feeds Act</u>;
- is mixed with, or attached to, a seed registered under the Seeds Act;
- is contained in recycled paper received by paper recycling mills;
- is bisphenol A (CAS RN 80-05-7) contained in a medical device; or
- is manufactured, imported or used to produce a good by laboratories, academic institutions, research facilities or dental offices.
  - Please note that this exclusion does not apply to research facilities and laboratories involved in development activities for industrial and commercial stakeholders.

## 5. Section 5 – Amalgamated information for multiple facilities

A company that owns more than one facility must respond to the applicable questions in the notice on a company-wide basis. Your response for each question must be an amalgamated response that includes information from <u>all facilities</u> owned by the company, <u>with the exception</u> of questions for **Section 8** of the notice.

# 6. Section 6 – Contact identification for organization (company)

All persons who are subject to the notice are required to provide the following information:

- the name of the person;
- the address:

- → the Federal Business Number<sup>2</sup>;
- the name, email and phone number of an individual authorized to act on behalf of the company; and
- a declaration that the information is accurate and complete.

The Excel Reporting File will ask only for the business name and the Federal Business Number. The remaining information required to complete the requirements of Section 6 of the notice must be entered in Environment and Climate Change Canada's Single Window online reporting system.

**Tip:** the information above will automatically be auto-populated from your <u>Environment and Climate Change Canada's Single Window</u> account. Make sure that your account information is up to date or update it for this notice directly in the CM general initiative of the <u>online reporting system</u>.

## <u>Sections of the notice to be completed:</u>

## 7. Section 7 – Total quantity

Section 7 of the notice applies to all Schedule 1 substances and for all activities (manufacture, import or use to produce), for which the <u>reporting criteria are met.</u>

For each reportable substance, you are required to provide the total quantity of the substance you manufactured, imported, used to produce a good and exported for the entire year.

Quantities reported in this section of the notice should be:

- for **the substance itself**, reported in **kilograms (kg)**, and not the quantity of the good containing the reportable substance; and
- rounded to the nearest kg. If that is not possible, rounding to the nearest 10 kg is also accepted.

**Tip:** Export is not an activity that triggers reporting to the notice. Only reporters who manufacture, import or use to produce a good AND also

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Federal business number is a nine-digit registration number issued by the Canada Revenue Agency.

### Table 3: Example of information required for Section 7 of the notice

In 2019, your company:

- imported 400 kg of a household cleaner containing Substance A at a concentration of 5% (equal to 20 kg of Substance A). You also imported 800 kg of another good containing Substance A at a concentration of 20% (equal to 160 kg of Substance A). The total quantity of Substance A imported in 2019 is 180 kg.
- manufactured 125 kg of Substance B to produce a polymer (good). The total quantity of Substance B manufactured is 125 kg and the total quantity used to produce a good is 125 kg. The polymer is primarily sold to customers in Canada, but some of the polymer containing 15 kg of Substance B was sold to customers outside of Canada. The total quantity exported is 15 kg.
- used 90 kg of Substance C alone to produce an epoxy resin.

CAS RN	Total quantity manufactured (kg)	Total quantity imported (kg)	Total quantity used to produce a good (kg)	Total quantity exported (kg)
aa-aa-a	0	180	0	0
bb-bb-b	125	0	125	15
cc-cc-c	0	0	90	0

<u>Subpart 3.5</u> of this document provides other examples for determining the total quantity of a substance manufactured, imported or used to produce a good.

## 8. Section 8 – Facilities

Section 8 of the notice applies to all Schedule 1 substances for which the <u>reporting criteria</u> <u>are met</u>. This section requires you to report 2019 information on your Canadian facilities where a reportable substance was:

- manufactured;
- → imported, <u>alone</u> or <u>in a mixture</u>; or
- used, whether alone or in a good, to produce another good.

**Tip:** You <u>must not</u> report facilities to which you solely import a product or a manufactured item.

**Tip:** Section 8 applies to your facilities, not your customers' facilities.

You <u>are required</u> to report your facility if, for example, in 2019 your company did one of the following:

- Imported a mixture containing reportable Substance A to the Mississauga plant to be used on-site to clean surfaces.
- ✓ Imported Substance B to the Montreal plant and used it to produce a polycarbonate plastic on site.
- Manufactured Substance C at the Richmond plant since it was incidentally produced during the making of a household cleaner. Substance B is considered to be manufactured in this plant.
- ✓ In 2019 your company imported Substance C and D alone as well as mixtures containing these substances to the Halifax warehouse where they are later distributed to customers in Canada. Since you imported reportable substances alone and in a mixture to the warehouse, you must report the facility even if activities at that facility consist solely of warehousing and distribution of mixtures and substances.
- ✓ Imported a coating product containing Substance F to the Guelph manufacturing plant, which is then used on site as a water repellant in food packaging. Since the product is not only solely imported to the plant, but is also used to produce a good, the facility must be reported.

You <u>are not required</u> to report your facility if, for example, in 2019 your company did one of the following:

- Imported an adhesive product containing reportable Substance A to your Toronto distribution center that was packaged into boxes and shipped to customers to fulfill online sales. Since you imported a product that is not used to produce another good, the Toronto distribution center does not need to be reported as a facility.
- Imported a sunscreen containing reportable Substance B in bulk containers to your facility in Montreal to be repackaged into smaller containers that are sold to retailers. Since you imported a product that is not used to produce another good, the Montreal facility does not need to be reported.
- Imported children's toys (manufactured items) containing Substance B to retail stores in Winnipeg.

You are required to provide the following information for your reportable facilities:

• Facility name and address;

- Distribution or warehousing only activities (Yes or No);
- Physical forms of the substance throughout manufacture, processing, handling and use to produce a good;
- <u>Summary of the manufacture, processing and handling of the substance and its</u> use to produce a good;
- Substance releases and losses to air, water or land;
- <u>Description of prevention or mitigation measures in place to prevent or minimize</u> releases of the substance;
- Concentration of substance in effluent discharged; and
- Other monitoring results of releases of the substance.

### 8.1 Facility name and address

You are required to provide in paragraph 8(a) the name and the address of each of your <u>reportable facilities</u>, including the facility physical street address, city, province and postal code.

**Tip:** The "Section 8 – Facilities" tab of the Excel Reporting File will allow you to generate your own list of facilities that you will be able to then use for reporting on each substance, if applicable, for questions in the "Section 8" tab.

## 8.2 Distribution and warehousing only activities

You are required to identify in paragraph 8(b) any <u>reportable facility</u> in Canada that is used <u>solely</u> for distribution or warehousing purposes. In such facilities, manufacturing, processing, handling (including repackaging) and use of the substances or mixtures, products and manufactured items containing the substance do not occur.

#### For example:

Mixtures containing Substances C and D are imported to the British Columbia warehouse where they are distributed a few weeks later to customers in Canada. Since you are importing a mixture to the warehouse, the warehouse should be reported as a facility. However, since the mixture is not repackaged, processed or used to make another good, the British Columbia warehouse should be flagged as a facility used solely for distribution and warehousing purposes.

## 8.3 Physical forms of the substance throughout manufacture, processing, handling and use to produce a good

You are required to provide in paragraph 8(c) all the physical forms of the substance throughout manufacture, processing, handling and use to produce a good, including the forms at the time of arrival at the facility, at the different stages of manufacturing, processing, handling, at the time it is reacted and as it leaves the facility.

For each substance at each site, you must report as many physical forms as applicable by selecting from the following 6 physical forms:

- dry powder,
- pellets or large crystals,
- → water- or solvent- wet solid (i.e., water-wet solid or solvent-wet solid),
- other solid,
- gas or vapour, or
- liquid.

## 8.4 Summary of the manufacture, processing and handling of the substance and its use to produce a good

You are required to provide in paragraph 8(d) a summary of the manufacture, processing, and handling of the substance and its use to produce a good, whether used alone or in a good. Your summary should include major steps and tasks in the operation, including the physical forms of the substance reported in paragraph 8(c) at every stage throughout the operation, potential sources of exposure to workers and controls in place to reduce worker exposure.

Exposure to workers means an exposure to a chemical substance which, under foreseeable conditions of manufacture, processing, distribution in commerce, or use of the chemical substance, is likely to occur (for example, through inhalation, ingestion, or skin contact). Accidental or theoretical exposures do not need to be reported.

Such exposures could include, but would not be limited to activities such as:

- charging reactor vessels,
- ☑ drumming,
- ✓ bulk loading,
- cleaning equipment,
- maintenance operations,
- materials handling and transfers, and
- ✓ analytical operations.

The summary can also include:

- a description of entry and exit points of incoming and outgoing materials containing the substance (e.g., feedstocks, reactants, solvents, catalysts, and waste products);
- whether it is a batch or continuous process, open or closed process, dry or wet process, or process using closed-loop, pressurized or vacuum system;

- the frequency and scale of the process including facility production rates (e.g., kg/day processed, hours/day and days/year); and
- the process equipment cleaning frequency (e.g., per day or per batch) and type of cleaning solution, if used (e.g., steam, hot water, aqueous caustic solution, and toluene).

The summary should also include a description of the controls in place to reduce potential exposure of the substance to workers, such as:

- engineering controls- includes designs or modifications to plants, equipment, ventilation systems, and processes that reduce the source of exposure (e.g., automated processes, ventilation/fume hoods);
- personal protective equipment- equipment worn by individuals to reduce exposure to chemicals (e.g., protective clothing, type of masks/respirators, type of gloves, etc.); and
- ☑ administrative controls- controls that alter the way the work is done, including timing of work, policies and other rules, and work practices such as standards and operating procedures (including training, housekeeping, and equipment maintenance, and personal hygiene practices).

A summary may be provided as a flow diagram attached to your submission that illustrates the manufacture, processing, handling and use of the substance in the production of a good that occurred within the facility. If you choose to provide a flow diagram, input "See "X file name" for summary" in the dedicated cell for paragraph 8(d) of the 'Section 8' tab of the Excel Reporting File.

Table 4: Example of information required for paragraph 8(d)

CAS RN	Facility name and address	Summary of manufacture, processing, handling of the substance and its use.
aa-aa-a	Facility X, 1234 Industrial Road, Milton, Ontario, P0X 1N4	Facility X is a warehousing facility - no manufacturing processes or chemical conversions take place at this facility. Liquid mixtures containing Substance A arrive to the facility in sealed 4000 L tanks approximately once a week are unloaded from a transport truck by employees and transported to and from the facility using lift stackers. The substance is never in direct contact with employees and remains in sealed containers while in the facility (it is not repackaged).
bb-bb-b	Facility Y, 1234 Main Street,	Facility Y completes between 2 and 5 batches a day. A typical batch involves about 500-1000 kg of Substance B in powder form and 10,000 kg of final

CAS RN	Facility name and address	Summary of manufacture, processing, handling of the substance and its use.
	Lethbridge, Alberta, T1H 2Z5	product in solid form. The plant operates 250 days a year but typically only 20-30% of our batches contain Substance B. Mixing takes place between 20°C and 50°C. The powder of the substance is unloaded from tank cars into kettles by workers in a room with local exhaust ventilation where employees wear protective equipment, including a half mask, air-purifying respirator and permeation resistant gloves (nitrile rubber, with thickness of >= 0.35 mm). This process takes approximately 15 minutes, and occurs five times a day, on average. The powder is then heated and mixed in kettles in a closed automated system. 2% of product containing Substance B / batch is lost to waste water during equipment cleaning. 10g/batch of the substance is lost through vents. The heated mixture is transferred through an automated process to molds that undergo a cooling process in a closed automated system. Molded pellets are robotically loaded into bags and transferred off-site to customers. Automated systems are not in direct contact with employees.

#### 8.5 Substance releases or losses to air, water or land

You are required to indicate in paragraph 8(e) of the notice whether the substance is known to, is anticipated to or may be released or lost from the facility to air, water or land and provide a qualitative description of the potential releases and losses of the substance in subparagraph 8(e) (i).

The term "release" reads in subsection 3(1) of the Act as follows:

"release includes discharge, spray, inject, inoculate, abandon, deposit, spill, leak, seep, pour, emit, empty, throw, dump, place and exhaust."

Release includes direct or indirect emissions or discharges of a substance in any form (liquid, solid or gas) and into any media (air, water or soil), whether the release is intentional or non-intentional during normal operations.

The following are examples of different <u>sources of releases</u> of a substance in either solid (e.g., powder, pellet), liquid (e.g., sludge, solution) or gaseous (e.g., vapour), state:

• emissions to air – discharges through a stack, vent or other point release, losses from storage and handling of the substance or products containing the

substance, fugitive emissions, spills and accidental releases, and other non-point releases;

- releases to surface waters direct and indirect discharges to water bodies, including discharges to municipal wastewater and stormwater collection and/or treatment systems, spills and leaks; or
- releases to land underground injections, discharges to groundwater, and discharges resulting from spills, leaks and other.

For greater clarity, any loss of the substance from the facility, even if indirect, should be reported. Losses can occur, for example, during cleaning of floors, cleaning of lines or from release of contact cooling waters.

When describing potential releases and losses of the substance, specify if a transfer to an off-site waste management facility is part of your standard practice. A transfer to an off-site waste management facility is any movement of a substance, including a mixture, product or manufactured item containing the substance, to a facility, including a third-party facility, which will handle, recycle or dispose of the substance (either as a recyclable, hazardous waste, or non-hazardous waste).

Table 5: Example of information required for paragraph 8(e) and subparagraph 8(e)(i)

CAS RN	Facility Name and Address	to, or may be	to, or may be	known to, anticipated	Description of potential releases and losses of the substance
aa-aa-a	Facility X, 1234 Industrial Road, Milton, Ontario, P0X 1N4	No	Yes	No	Container residue cleaning resulted in the substance being washed down into municipal sewer.
bb-bb-b	Facility X, 1234 Industrial Road, Milton, Ontario, P0X 1N4	No	No	Yes	Spill (one event) to land with possible groundwater contamination which was monitored.

CAS RN	Facility Name and Address	to, or may be	to, or may be	known to, anticipated	Description of potential releases and losses of the substance
	Facility X, 1234 Industrial Road, Milton, Ontario, P0X 1N4	Yes	No	No	Stack release to air

## 8.6 Description of prevention or mitigation measures in place to prevent or minimize release of the substance

You are required to provide in subparagraph 8(e)(ii) a description of the prevention or mitigation measures in place to prevent or minimize releases of the substance.

Prevention or mitigation measures relate to practices, policies or technological solutions at your facility to prevent or minimize releases of the substance to the environment, or exposure of Canadians to the substance. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- scrubbers, thermal oxidizers and bag filters to prevent releases to air;
- collection tanks to capture wash water from the facility's floors and drains for treatment and/or disposal;
- lagoons and ponds to capture storm water and site run-offs for treatment prior to discharge;
- oil-water separators;
- primary, secondary or tertiary on/off-site wastewater treatment equipment systems; and
- spill protocol and employee training

#### Table 6: Example of information required for subparagraph 8(e)(ii)

In 2019, you used Substance A listed in Schedule 1 to make a product (Resin 123). You have practices in place at your facility to minimize release of the substance during processing and use of the substance in the production of Resin 123. You imported Substance B in a lubricant, also listed in Schedule 1, to another facility. The substance was shipped to you in bulk in tank containers. You then stored the containers at your

facility in Big Town ON, before repackaging the substance into smaller containers (drums) for sale to your customers.

CAS RN	Facility Name and Address	Description of the prevention or mitigation measures in place to prevent or minimize releases of the substance
aa-aa-a	Facility Z, 1234 rue de l'industrie, Magog, Québec, J1X 1G6	Process of resin manufacturing is automated; valves and equipment are automated. Cooling water is recirculated X-times before discharge. A bermed area is used to collect accidental spills from the tank and a secondary containment area is used within the facility to collect drips and spills during cooling process. Facility's floor drains are connected to a collection system emptied once every 6 months by hazardous waste company A.
bb-bb-b	Facility XY, 1234 Burlington, Ontario, L6M 1K8	Pumping of the lubricant from the tank to the drums is automated; valves and equipment are computer-controlled. Lines are flushed with oil between products; no water is used in the process. A bermed area is used to collect accidental spills from the tank and a secondary containment area is used within the facility to collect drips and spills during repackaging operations. Facility's floor drains are connected to a collection system emptied once every 6 months by hazardous waste company A. An emergency holding pond is used to capture site run-offs; the discharge from the pond (mainly, accumulated rain water and melting snow) is sent to an on-site oil water separator (OWS) prior to being released to the municipal wastewater system. Releases from the OWS contain well below 1 mg/L of oil and grease (hydrocarbons). Our provincial permit limit is 50 mg/L of oil and grease. Absorbents are used to clean up drips and spills on the floor, if any. Used absorbents are sent off-site for incineration or disposal.

## 8.7 Concentration of the substance in discharged effluent

If you reported releases to water in subparagraph 8(e)(i) in the form of effluent discharge, you are required to provide in subparagraph 8(e)(iii) the annual average AND maximum concentration of the substance in effluent discharged from the facility, in µg/L, as well as the method used for determining the concentration. When describing the methods used, include analytical methods, monitoring frequency and detection limits, if available.

Note that the concentration in the effluent is only required if it is available for 2019; new or additional monitoring is not requested.

**Tip**: If you <u>have not monitored</u> the substance in the effluent discharged from the facility, you will be able to indicate this as not reasonably accessible in the Excel Reporting File.

Table 7: Example of information required for subparagraph 8(e)(iii)

CAS RN	Facility Name and Address	The annual average concentration of the substance in effluent discharged from the facility is reasonably accessible or not reasonably accessible?	Annual average concentration (µg/L)	The annual maximum concentration of the substance in effluent discharged from the facility is reasonably accessible or not reasonably accessible?	Annual maximum concentrati on (µg/L)	Method used for determining concentration
aa-	Facility XYZ, 1234 rue de l'industrie, Magog, Québec, J1X 1G6	Reasonably accessible	0.23	Reasonably accessible	5.7	GC-MS; Smith et al. 2015. Journal of Monitoring Science. Volume 2, Issue 12.
ما ما ما	Facility MNO, 1234 Ave N.W., Edmonton Alberta, T5S 2R1	Not reasonably accessible	NA	Not reasonably accessible	NA	NA

The gray cells are not applicable and they are expected to be left blank.

## 8.8 Other monitoring results of releases of the substance

If other monitoring results of releases of the substance into air, water or land are available, you are required to provide them in subparagraph 8(e)(iv), including monitoring frequency and methodology.

Other monitoring results of interest may include, but are not limited to:

- ☑ The presence or concentration of the substance in samples from your air emissions, results of these tests, units, method detection limits as well as sampling and analytical methods used.
- For releases of the substance to air, an indication as to whether the emissions are from a point source or fugitive, the duration and frequency of the emissions, and ground concentration (specify the units).
- ☑ If a spill occurred, monitoring of substance in ground water or soil (e.g., concentration, units used, monitoring method and frequency).

Table 8: Example of information required for subparagraph 8(e)(iv)

CAS RN	Facility Name and Address	Other available monitoring results of releases of the substance
aa-aa-a	Facility X, 1234 Rue Sud, Thetford Mines, Quebec, G8G 5Z5	An accidental spill occurred July 2019 at this facility, which resulted in 1 kg of the substance being released to water, and 10 kg of the substance being transferred to an off-site hazardous waste management facility. We subsequently monitored specifically for the presence of the substance in the receiving environment. We monitored monthly the substance in groundwater (GW) wells upstream (control) and downstream (2 wells) of the spill site for a total of 6 sampling events (Jul. to Dec. 2019) using enclosed sampling and analytical methods by Lab Inc. GW monitoring results are attached to the submission with the file name "section 8e GW monitoring.pdf".
bb-bb-b	Facility Y, 1234 Ave North-West, Cambridge, Ontario, N2R 6T4	We monitor stack emissions for the presence of the substance every 3 months by withdrawing a sample from the stack and analyzing it on-site using a transportable automated measuring system. An annual average concentration of 0.74 ng/m³ and a maximum concentration of 2.45 ng/m³ was measured in 2019.

## 9. Section 9 – Unpublished studies

Section 9 of the notice requires you to provide for each reportable substance:

- any unpublished data or studies with regard to occupational exposure, such as:
  - (i) monitoring data collected in the workplace (e.g., air monitoring or biomonitoring data of urine or blood measuring the reportable substance in workers); or

- (ii) studies examining workers handling the substance in the workplace (e.g., dosimetry, patches, charcoal badges, personal air monitors, urine/blood samples).
- any unpublished data or studies with regards to any of the following, that have not already been provided to the Government of Canada to comply with the New Substances Notification Regulations (Chemicals and Polymers) and that do not pertain only to Bisphenol A, CAS RN 80-05-7:
  - (i) mammalian study endpoints:
    - (A) acute toxicity (oral, dermal, and inhalation),
    - (B) short-term toxicity (oral, dermal, and inhalation),
    - (C) subchronic toxicity (oral, dermal, and inhalation),
    - (D) carcinogenicity,
    - (E) in vitro genotoxicity (mutagenicity or clastogenicity),
    - (F) in vivo genotoxicity (mutagenicity or clastogenicity), developmental and reproductive toxicity,
    - (G) absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion,
    - (H) endocrine effect(s),
    - (I) dermal absorption, and
    - (J) any additional unpublished data or studies not listed that may be relevant to the evaluation of the potential of the substance to affect human health.
  - (ii) ecological study endpoints:
    - (A) biodegradation,
    - (B) bioaccumulation factor, bioconcentration factor, and biomagnification factor,
    - (C) ecotoxicity (experimental acute and chronic studies for pelagic, benthic, and terrestrial organisms),
    - (D) environmental monitoring and presence,
    - (E) persistence,
    - (F) chemical transformation,
    - (G) leaching potential, and
    - (H) any additional unpublished data or studies not listed that may be relevant to the evaluation of the potential of the substance to affect the environment.
  - (iii) physical-chemical properties, such as:
    - (A) melting point,
    - (B) boiling point,
    - (C) vapour pressure,
    - (D) water solubility or water extractability,
    - (E) octanol-water partition coefficient (log Kow),
    - (F) organic carbon-water partition coefficient (log Koc), and
    - (G) acid dissociation constant.
  - (iv) degradation, characterization, or the release, leaching or migration of the substance from the final mixture, product or manufactured item, including measurements or calculations of migration into food.

For the purposes of the notice, data or studies are considered "unpublished" if they are not readily found using standard search engines (e.g., Scopus, Pubmed, Toxline, Google). The unpublished data or studies submitted can be from any calendar year.

Full data or studies should be submitted as an attachment to your online submission. Please note that the <u>online reporting system</u> has a file size upload limit of 20 MB per file and compressed files (e.g., .zip, .rar) are not accepted for security reasons.

**Tip:** If your unpublished study or data document has a file size larger than 20 MB, it can be broken down into smaller size files and uploaded to the online reporting system.

You are also required to report the <u>title of the data or study</u> as well as the <u>name of the file</u> uploaded. If available, the title should include the author(s) and the year in which the study was performed. The file name(s) should correspond to the exact file name(s) uploaded to the online reporting tool, including extension types (e.g. .docx, .pdf, .xlsx). For example, the following information should be reported in the Excel Reporting File for an acute toxicity study:

- Title of study: A 48-hour flow-through acute toxicity test with Daphnia magna (Peter et al. 2011)
- File name: acute toxicity test Daphnia magna 2011.pdf

Examples of additional data or studies not listed above that may be relevant to risk assessment are hazard and ecotoxicology data for a surrogate substance or new approach methodologies including but not limited to mechanistic, transcriptomic and metabolomics assays.

**Tip:** unpublished data or studies with regard to occupational exposure are the only types of studies or data requested for Bisphenol A (CAS RN 80-05-7)

#### Unpublished studies or data on substances that do not meet the reporting criteria

You are only required to provide unpublished data or studies for substances that meet the reporting thresholds. However, you are encouraged to submit unpublished studies on your Schedule 1 substances that do not meet the reporting thresholds in a <a href="Declaration of Stakeholder Interest">Declaration of Stakeholder Interest</a>. Please note that <a href="Section 70 of CEPA">Section 70 of CEPA</a> may also be applicable for substances that do not meet the threshold and is a mandatory information gathering provision under CEPA. Examples of information that may be submitted under section 70 include, but are not limited to, toxicity studies, information on physical-chemical properties, absorption/leaching potential, concentrations, quantities, uses, monitoring data.

# 10. Section 10 – Information on known or anticipated final goods

Section 10 of the notice applies to all Schedule 1 substances for all activities (manufacture, import or use to produce) for which reporting criteria are met.

For each reportable substance, you are required to provide:

- → the <u>substance function code(s) (U codes)</u> that describe the substance function in the known or anticipated final goods that have the same application code;
  - If code U999 (Other) is selected, you must provide a written description of the function;
- → for each substance function code provided, the <u>application code(s) (C codes)</u> that describes the known or anticipated final goods containing the substance with that function;
- If codes C301.01 (Food packaging material, single-serve, single-use or disposable) or C301.02 (Reusable food and beverage container) are selected, you must provide information on <u>food and beverage contact substances and food or beverage</u> types

**Tip:** It is possible to have several combinations of U and C codes for the same reported substance.

- for each combination of substance function code and application code, the person shall provide the following information for the known or anticipated final goods:
  - the <u>concentration</u>, or <u>range of concentrations</u>, of the substance by weight (w/w%) in the goods;
  - → the <u>quantity</u>, <u>or quantity range</u>, of the substance in kilograms (kg) in the goods;
  - a description of the goods;
  - the <u>common, generic</u>, or trade names of the goods, if not already provided to the Government of Canada to comply with the <u>New Substances</u> Notification Regulations (Chemicals and Polymers);
  - whether the goods are intended for use in commercial activities;
  - → whether the goods are intended for use in consumer activities; and
  - → whether the goods are intended for use by or for children 14 years of age or

younger.

## Known or anticipated final goods containing the substance

The notice requires that the above information be reported on the "known or anticipated final goods containing the substance". "Known or anticipated final goods" refers to the goods containing the substance that is offered for sale to the end users. Final goods can be the substance alone, or a mixture, product, or manufactured item containing the substance.

Not everyone responding to the notice will have information on the final goods containing the substance, especially if their **own goods**, the goods the reporting company is involved with, are part of the beginning of the supply chain (e.g., raw substance or mixture). You may need to contact your customers to determine the "known or anticipated final goods containing the substance". When responding to the notice, respond using the most complete and accurate information available to you.

## Person's own goods

If you do not have information on the known or anticipated final goods <u>AND</u> your reasonable efforts to obtain this information (e.g., request for information across the supply chain) did not yield the necessary information, you may report on information requested in Section 10 on your own goods (i.e., the goods your company is involved with, not the final goods containing the substance that is sold to end users).

If you are reporting on your own goods, you are encouraged to provide additional information on the steps you have taken to try to obtain the substance function code and application code as well as related information for known or anticipated final goods and why these steps did not yield the necessary information.

Please note that information on final goods is essential to the risk assessment process. It is in your company's best interest to make reasonable efforts to obtain this information throughout the supply chain. The absence of information on final goods may result in the use of conservative assumptions in risk assessments. Consequently, risk management measures may be implemented that impact your ability to sell certain substances or goods containing these substances in Canada.

Examples of reporting on known or anticipated final goods containing the substance vs. own goods containing the substance:

☑ Company A imports a pure reportable substance and formulates a coating that is then sold to a company who manufactures thermal paper. In this example, the company's own good is the coating and the final good is the thermal paper. If Company A knows or can anticipate that the coating is being used in thermal paper, Company A must provide code C302.02 (Thermal paper) for this situation and provide a written description of the known or anticipated final good (e.g., cash receipts). Concentration and quantity requested in Section 10 should be reported on the substance within the thermal paper and common, generic or trade names and intended uses should be reported on the thermal paper.

- If Company A does not know what the known or anticipated final goods containing the coating are, they may contact their customers by email to request information on final goods. If Company A does not receive a response, they cannot determine or cannot anticipate what the customer will do with the coating. C202.01 (Paints and coatings) should be used to reflect Company A's own application of the substance, and a written description of the type of coating reported should be provided. Other information requested in Section 10 should be reported on the substance within the coating and the coating itself. Steps taken to try to obtain information on final goods may also be provided (i.e., email to customers did not yield necessary information).
- Company C imports a coating containing a reportable substance that they resell to over 100 customers. Company C verifies their records and determines that 80% of the coating is sold to two customers. Company C does not have the resources to request information on final goods from all their customers; they therefore contact their two top customers to request Section 10 information. The two customers inform them that the coating is used in can lids and provide other requested information. Company C therefore reports code C301.01 (Food packaging material, single-serve, single-use or disposable) in Section 10 along with other requested information on the can lids. A note can be added to Section 10 explaining that information reported represents 80% of the activity with the substance.

## 10.1 Reportable codes

When submitting your response to Section 10, you are required to consider 2 sets of codes:

- substance function codes
- application codes

**Tip**: The Excel Reporting File allows you to view the list of codes to help you pick the most appropriate one.

## 10.1.1 Schedule 2 of the notice – substance function codes

Substance function codes, formerly called Use Codes, begin with the letter U, and are used to describe the function of the substance itself with regards to the intended physical or chemical characteristic for which a chemical substance is consumed as a reactant; incorporated into a formulation, mixture, or product; or used.

For example, if the substance function is:

A monomer to make polycarbonate plastic, select "U015 – Intermediate";

- To reduce friction or heat in a vehicle lubricant, select "U017 Lubricants and lubricant additives";
- To both develop color and provide heat resistance in thermal paper, select "U999 Other".

**Tip:** Code U999 can only be used when there is no other code to match the function of the substance. It can also be used when the substance has more than one function. When selecting this code, a concise written description of the substance function(s) must be provided.

**Tip:** Importers of manufactured items can use code U067 if the substance function is unknown.

The substance function codes are listed in <u>Appendix 1</u> with their descriptions and some examples.

## 10.1.2 Schedule 3 of the notice – application codes

Application codes, formerly called Consumer and Commercial Codes, begin with the letter C and are used to identify the application of the mixture, product or manufactured item containing a substance with regards to its purpose in a consumer or commercial setting.

For example, if the substance is contained in:

- A sunscreen, select "C563 Drugs" or "C564 Natural Health";
- A plastic lid of a glass food container, select "C301.02 Reusable food and beverage container";
- A plastic toy truck, select "C304 Toys, playground and sporting equipment";
- A PVC water pipe, select "C303.01 Plastic materials not otherwise covered in this table".

If a good has more than one application, you are required to report the applicable code that best describes the application.

C999 can only be used when there is no other code to match the application of the good.

The application codes are listed in <u>Appendix 2</u> with their descriptions and some examples.

## 10.1.3 Additional information related to application codes

#### 10.1.3.1 Concentration and quantity of the substance in the goods

For each combination of substance function code and application code, you must provide the concentration, reported as a weight percentage (w/w%), as well as quantity, reported in kilograms (kg), of the substance contained in the known or anticipated final goods. If you have reported a substance function code and application code based on your own goods, you should provide the concentration and quantity of the substance within your own goods. The concentration can be reported with up to a three decimal precision.

If you do not know the concentration and quantity of the substance in the reported goods, even after making reasonable efforts to obtain the data, you may indicate in the <u>Excel Reporting File</u> that this information is not reasonably accessible and will not be provided.

#### 10.1.3.2 Description of the goods

For each application code provided, you are required to provide a concise written description of the goods that they capture.

For example, the following descriptions can be provided:

- Makeup foundations for application code "C108 Personal care";
- Cash register receipts for application code "C302.02 Thermal paper";
- Polycarbonate tubing for application code "C303.01 Plastic materials not otherwise covered in this table".

#### 10.1.3.3 Common, Generic or Trade Names

In addition to providing the application codes, you must provide the common, generic or trade name of the known or anticipated final goods containing the substance <u>unless</u> you have already provided it to the Government of Canada to comply with the <u>New Substances Notification Regulations (Chemicals and Polymers)</u>.

#### For example:

• In 2019, your company imported outdoor apparel containing a substance listed in Schedule 1 of the notice. In this case, you should select the application code "C104 – Fabric, textile and leather articles not otherwise covered in this table" and you must provide the common, generic or trade name of the final goods (e.g., "Women's Classic Rain Coat").

#### 10.1.3.4 Intended application of the known or anticipated final goods

When providing information on the intended application of the known or anticipated final goods or your own goods, you will also need to consider if the goods are destined for commercial use, consumer use, or use by or for children 14 years of age or younger.

**Commercial use** refers to the use of a substance or a good containing a substance, by a commercial enterprise providing saleable goods or services.

For example:

- Substance is contained in a good sold to a company as heavy factory machinery.
- Substance is contained in a good (e.g., commercial carpet cleaning liquid) that is distributed to professional office carpet cleaning companies.

**Consumer use** refers to the use of a substance that is directly, or as part of a good, sold to or made available to consumers for their use in or around a permanent or temporary household or residence, a school, or a recreational area.

#### For example:

- Substance is contained in an imported good (e.g., body lotion or disinfectant wipes) that is sold or made available to consumers.
- Substance is contained in a product (e.g., paint) that is sold or made available to consumers for do-it-yourself crafts.

**Intended to be used by or for children** refers to a good intended for use by or for children 14 years of age or younger.

#### For example:

- Moisturizer intended for infant use
- Wipes to clean infant and children genitalia, noses, mouths and/or hands
- Craft products intended for children use
- Toys intended for children use
- Infant formula packaging intended for infant use

## 10.1.3.5 Food and beverage contact substances and food and beverage types

If you report codes C301.01 (Food packaging material, single-serve, single-use or disposable) or C301.02 (Reusable food and beverage container) in subparagraph 10(1)(c), you are required to provide in paragraph 10(2) the following information:

- whether the substance is intended to or may be in direct contact with food or beverage, as opposed to being on the exterior of the packaging or container; and
- the types of food or beverage that could be contained in and in contact with the packaging or container.

If the anticipated final good is food packaging or a food and beverage container, the packaging or container itself is intended to or may come into contact with food or beverage. However, depending on where the substance is located within the packaging or container, the substance itself may or may not come into direct contact with the food or beverage. If you are aware of the location of the substance within the packaging or container, you must report whether or not the substance is intended to or may be in direct contact with food or beverage.

You must also indicate the types of food or beverage that could be contained in and in contact with the packaging or container, not only the parts of the packaging containing the substance. The food categories below or individual food or beverage descriptions may be reported.

## Aqueous or Acidic Foods

- Nonacid, aqueous products: may contain salt or sugar or both (pH above 5.0).
- Acid, aqueous products: may contain salt or sugar or both and include oil-inwater emulsions of low- or high-fat content.
- Dairy products and modifications: oil-in-water emulsions, high- or low-fat.
- Beverages: nonalcoholic.
- Moist bakery products with surface containing no free fat or oil.

Examples of food or beverage descriptions for this category: pasta, milk, green or dry cooked yellow split peas, tofu and vegetables with soy based sauce, candy milk chocolate coated coffee beans, cream of celery soup (canned, condensed, reduced fat, milk added), olive (ripe, canned, small to extra large), roasted chicken, raw chicken breast, pickled vegetables, frozen fruit.

## → Low or High Alcoholic Foods

• Beverages: containing up to 8% alcohol or more than 8% alcohol.

Examples of food or beverage descriptions for this category: rum cooler, non-alcoholic wine, beer, vodka and frozen margarita.

## → Fatty Foods

- Aqueous, acid or nonacid products containing free oil or fat; may contain salt, and include water-in-oil emulsions of low- or high-fat content.
- Dairy products and modifications: water-in-oil emulsions, high or low fat.
- Low-moisture fats and oil.
- Moist bakery products with surface containing free fat or oil.
- Dry solids with the surface containing free fat or oil.

Examples of food or beverage descriptions for this category: cooked vermicelli made from soy, restaurant prepared spaghetti and meatballs, cheese croissant, phyllo dough, frozen vanilla ice cream, commercial peanut butter cookie, cheese, chocolate cake or cupcake, cooked roasted lamb, crispy fried chicken, and canned salmon.

#### → Dry Foods

• Dry solids with the surface containing no free fat or oil.

Examples of food or beverage descriptions for this category: dry pasta, unprepared rice, flour, couscous, oat bran, bread, dinner roll, cracker, english muffin, cake mix, cereal, biscuit, granola bar, dry milk, nuts, dehydrated soup, dried fruits, tea, coffee, baby food cereal, spices and chewing gum.

#### Infant Formula

Examples of food or beverage descriptions for this category: powdered formula or prepared liquid formula.

## For example:

- ☑ Code 301.01 is reported for food cans containing coconut milk. The food can itself is designed to come into direct contact with food. The reportable substance is contained in the interior epoxy-resin lining of the can. The substance itself is also therefore in direct contact with the food. The type of food contained in and in contact with the packaging to be reported is a fatty food.
- Code C301.02 is reported for a travel mug. The mug itself is designed to come into direct contact with the beverage. However, the inside of the mug is in stainless steel and the outside is made out of a polycarbonate material that contains the reportable substance. The substance is therefore not in direct contact with food or beverage. The type of food that could be contained in and in contact with the packaging is decided by the consumer but consists typically of aqueous or acidic foods.

**Tip:** If the location of the substance within the packaging or the types of foods that may be contained in and in contact with the packaging are unknown, indicate "Not reasonably accessible" or "unknown" in the Excel Reporting File.

## Example of information required for Section 10:

In 2019, your company imported a total quantity of 120 kg of Substance A, as reported in Section 7. Ten (10) kg of Substance A was used as an intermediate to make reusable plastic containers and 30 kg was used to make disposable bowls. The containers were distributed to various retailers and the bowls to various hotel companies. Your retailers informed you that the consumers who buy the containers use them as they wish. The hotels informed you that they use the bowls as takeaway containers for soups. Hotel use of the containers is considered a commercial use. The concentration of Substance A in the container is 0.02 w/w% and 0.01-0.2 w/w% in the disposable bowls. The concentration may be reported with up to a three decimal precision as shown in Table 9.

Your company also manufactured in 2019 Substance B and used 1 000 kg of it as a monomer to produce an epoxy adhesive at a concentration of 0.03 w/w% that was distributed to more than 100 customers that you know further use the substance to make goods which are unknown to you. After trying to obtain Section 10 information on anticipated or final goods from your customers with no success, you decide that it would not be reasonably possible to report on final goods. You therefore report for Section 10 on your own good (i.e., the adhesive).

Furthermore, your company manufactured 10 000 kg of Substance C. You sell Substance C to over 150 customers, with 60 % going to Customer X. You work with your Customer X and determine that the substance is sold for commercial purposes as color developer in airline tickets. However, you are unable to determine the concentration of the substance in the tickets. Your other customers do not respond to your request for information.

Table 9: Example of information required for Section 10

Information required	Substance A	Substance A	Substance B	Substance C
CAS RN	aa-aa-a	aa-aa-a	bb-bb-b	CC-CC-C
Substance function code(s) that	U015	U015	U999	U999 (Other)
apply to the substance	(Intermediate)	(Intermediate)	(Other) Description : Monomer	Description: Color developer
For each substance function code, the application code(s) that describe the known or anticipated final goods containing the substance	C301.02 (Reusable food and beverage container)	C301.01 (Food packaging material, single- serve, single-use or disposable)	C201 (Adhesive and sealants)	C302.02 (Thermal Paper)
Whether the combination of substance function code and application code apply to the know or anticipated final goods or the person's goods containing the substance	Known or anticipated final goods	Known or anticipated final goods	Own goods containing the substance	Known or anticipated final goods
Written description of the known or anticipated final goods	Reusable plastic containers	Disposable bowls	Industrial adhesive	Airline tickets
Concentration or range of concentrations of the substance (w/w%) in the good?	0.02	0.01-0.02	0.030	Not reasonably accessible
Quantity, or quantity range, of the substance in kilograms (kg) in the goods	10	30	1000	Not reasonably accessible
Common, generic, or trade names* of the goods	Wholesome prep and savour reusable food storage container	MAX disposable bowls	Adhesive Full Force 1000	Full Color AMXE Flight Tickets
(a) use in commercial activities*	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
(b) use in consumer activities*	Yes	Yes	No	No
(c) use by or for children 14 years of age or younger*	Yes	Yes	No	No
Whether the substance is intended to or may be in direct contact with food or beverage	Yes	Not reasonably accessible	NA	NA

Information required	Substance A	Substance A	Substance B	Substance C
The types of food or beverage that could be contained in and in contact with the packaging or container	Consumers who buy the containers can put any type of food in them	Any type of soup	NA	NA
Notes	Substance was consumed in the reaction but some residual substance is left in the final good	Substance was consumed in the reaction but some residual substance is left in the final good	As a substance manufactur er and product producer, I have a complex supply chain. I tried to track down the information requested on final goods from my suppliers by email with no success.	60% of the substance manufactured was sold to one customer who informed me that the substance is used in thermal paper airline tickets.  Concentration was not provided.  Remaining customers have not provided information.

<sup>\*</sup> Are generally not expected to be confidential, see part 12.

# 11. Section 11 – Reactants or components of Part 2 substances

Section 11 of the notice applies to Schedule 1 Part 2 reportable substances that were manufactured or used to produce a good, whether alone or in a good, for which the reporting criteria are met. For greater clarity, Section 11 does not apply to Part 1 substances and does not apply to Part 2 substances that are solely imported alone or within goods. Section 11 in the Excel Reporting File will narrow this down for you based on your responses to earlier Sections of the notice.

For each substance in Section 11 of the Excel Reporting File, you are required to provide:

- the chemical identity or CAS RN of the reactants or components of the substance; and
- → the concentration, or range of concentrations, of each reactant or component by weight (w/w%).

Each reactant or component identified should at minimum level of specificity represent a distinct homologous group with a unique molecular formula and weight. Chemical identity is to be represented by CAS RN where known, otherwise a description of the chemical identity including representative structures of the components can be provided either in the Excel Reporting File or as an attachment to your submission.

The identity of the reactants or components of the substance may have been determined through analytical data and methods such as: chromatograms, spectral analyses (e.g., C or H-nuclear), nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra data, infrared or UV-VIS spectra data, mass spectra (MS) or atomic absorption spectra (AAS) data); and/or reference to peer reviewed articles supporting chemical identity and concentration information, or reference to industry or analytical standards such as the color index or International Organization for Standardization (ISO)-Standards for essential oils. You may wish to contact your supplier to obtain information on the chemical identity of the reactants or components of the substance.

The concentration or range of concentrations of each reactant or component forming the substance reported should be provided as a weight percentage (w/w%).

If the information on the identity of the reactants or components or their concentrations are not available, you will have the option in the Excel Reporting File to indicate that the information is not reasonably accessible.

## Table 10: Example of information required for Section 11

In 2019, you imported 1 000 kg of a substance from your supplier. The supplier has indicated that the substance is composed of Component A at 30-35%, Component B at 10-15%, and Component C at 50 to 60% and provided you with gas chromatography – mass spectral (GC-MS) data. The substance is used to produce a good. The substance is still present in the final good.

Part 2 CAS RN	Chemical identity of the reactants or components of the substance	CAS RN of the reactants or components of the substance	Concentration or range of concentrations of each reactant or component listed in paragraph (b) (w/w%)
aa-aa-a	Component A	bb-bb-b	30-35
aa-aa-a	Component B	CC-CC-C	10-15
aa-aa-a	Component C	dd-dd-d	50-60

If available, you are encouraged to provide the GC-MS data as supplementary information as an attachment to your submission or through a <u>Declaration of Stakeholder</u> Interest.

If the composition of the reported substance is unknown, your supplier may be able to provide information on the chemical identity of the monomers, reactants or components of the substance.

# 12. Request for Confidentiality

Pursuant to section 313 of the Act, any person who provides information in response to the notice may submit a written request that it be treated as confidential.

A request for confidentiality should only be made for information that is considered confidential under Canadian law.

If you provide information in response to the notice and have reason to believe your information is truly confidential, you are required to provide the reason for requesting confidentiality for each data element. Information can be declared as confidential for the following reasons:

- it is a trade secret of the submitter;
- it is information of a financial, commercial, scientific or technical nature that is treated consistently in a confidential manner by the submitter;
- its disclosure could reasonably be expected to result in material financial loss or gain to, or could reasonably be expected to prejudice the competitive position of, the submitter; or,
- its disclosure could reasonably be expected to interfere with contractual or other negotiations of the submitter.

Please note that as per the <u>Approach to disclose confidential information and promote transparency in chemicals management</u>, certain data elements are generally not expected to be confidential. Release of their information is seen as desirable to promote transparency. That is the case for the two following data elements requested in this notice:

- Common, generic or trade names
- Intended application of the known or anticipated final goods

Additional clarifications may be required to justify your request for confidentiality. If that is the case, you will be notified and given 20 days to provide further written justification for your request.

# 13. Blind submissions

To determine whether you meet the reporting criteria of the notice, and in order to fill out your response, communicating your needs up the supply chain is critical, including requesting information from a supplier of imported goods. The supplier may be reluctant to provide it to you if it is Confidential Business Information. In such a case, either the foreign supplier should report on your behalf or you and your supplier can agree to both participate in a joint response via blind submissions, where each party submits part of the

information directly to the <u>Substances Management Information Line</u>, allowing you to meet your reporting obligation, while protecting the supplier's trade secrets.

In instances where a blind submission is needed, you or your supplier will be required to provide a reason for the <u>confidentiality request</u>, and indicate which sections of the notice you and your supplier will be submitting to complete the submission.

Blind submissions can also be initiated by a supplier who knows or suspects that a customer should report, based on quantities purchased. In any case, a cover letter or note should be provided with each part of the blind submission indicating that the supplier's submission completes the customer's submission and indication of the substances or goods involved. Both parties must agree to this approach.

#### **Example:**

During 2019, you imported Product 123 into Canada from a foreign supplier. You follow up with your supplier to obtain information on the composition of Product 123 (CAS RN and concentration of the reportable substance in the product). Your supplier confirms that Product 123 contains a reportable substance and that based on the total quantity of Product 123 you purchased in 2019, you meet the reporting criteria outlined in Section 2 of the notice. However, your supplier is reluctant to share the composition of Product 123 since their formulation is confidential. After contacting the <u>Substances Management Information Line to explain your particular situation and obtaining steps to follow, you submit a "Blind Submission" jointly with your supplier, in which:</u>

- Based on information in your possession, you respond to the notice providing as much information as you can (e.g., the quantity of Product 123 imported in 2019, application codes, intended use). Along with your submission, you should provide a cover letter to clearly explain the situation and identify your foreign supplier; and
- Your supplier provides the confidential information required to complete your submission directly to the Government of Canada (e.g., CAS RN, concentration of the reportable substance in the product and applicable substance function code). Along with their submission, your supplier should provide a cover letter to clearly indicate that their information is confidential and that it completes your submission.

# 14. Online reporting system

<u>Environment and Climate Change Canada's Single Window</u> is an online data reporting system. Persons providing mandatory or voluntary responses to the notice shall use the system to provide a response through the "Chemicals Management Plan" (CMP) link on the Single Window Information Manager page. Foreign suppliers and authorized third parties can also use the system to provide information. Refer to the <u>How to report using</u>

the Single Window Information Manager: guidance document for details on how to create and manage an account.

Once you have created an account, you will be logged into the Single Window Information Management system (SWIM) as a new user. You will then proceed to set up your profile. After that you must link your profile to your organization.

**Tip:** If the organization does not exist in the system, you will need to create it.

The following information is needed to create an organization in Single Window:

- Company name
- Canadian physical and mailing addresses (international physical and mailing address for foreign suppliers)
- Canadian Federal Business Number (9-digit number assigned by Canada Revenue Agency) (not required for foreign suppliers)
- Facilities in Canada owned by the organization (name and full physical address).
- Names of employees who will be assigned roles (note: Roles determine how the user can interact with the data entered in SWIM and access rights)
- Organization Lead (note: If you create a new organization, then you are automatically assigned the role of SWIM Organization Lead for that organization)

# 15. How to submit a s.71 response

If you meet the reporting criteria of the notice, you must provide your response using the <u>online reporting system</u> by following the steps described below in parts <u>15.1</u> and <u>15.2</u>.

# 15.1 Download the Excel Reporting File

To prepare your response, download the <u>BPA SAFA Excel Reporting File (ERF)</u> and fill out the requested information making sure that the File Completion status in the <u>STATUS</u> tab is "Complete". Detailed instructions for completing the file are included in the <u>Instructions</u> tab. If you need more rows for data entry than is provided in the Excel Reporting File, please contact the <u>Substances Management Information Line</u>. Your completed Excel Reporting File should be saved using the following file naming format "**ORGANIZATION NAME BPA SAFA s71 ERF.xlsx**" before starting the submission process.

# 15.2 Submit through Single Window

Once your SWIM profile and company are set-up and the Excel Reporting File is complete, navigate to the home page of <a href="SWIM">SWIM</a> and click on the "Chemicals Management Plan" link. On the Chemicals Management Plan's "Reporting Dashboard"

page, select the "Chemicals Management – General" initiative and click on the "Search" button. The search result at the bottom of the page will display "CM – General" online form that should be used for uploading and submitting your Excel Reporting File. Click on the pencil icon under "Actions" on the right side of the form with status "New" to start the submission process.

#### <u>Submitting via the "Chemicals Management – General" Initiative</u>

- 1. Fill in the "Identification" page and click "Save".
- On the "Substances to Report" page, which is accessed through the "Reporting Details" menu on the left side of the page, choose "Section 71 BPA SAFA" as the "Submission Purpose". Fill in the "Submission Title" as "BPA SAFA", and then click "Save".
  - **Note:** Do not add substances. Substances only need to be selected in the Excel Reporting File.
- 3. On the "General Document Upload" page, click "Add Document" and upload your completed Excel Reporting File. Then click "Add".
  - a. If you indicated any information in the Excel Reporting File as confidential business information (CBI), click the lock symbol beside the "File Name".
  - b. If you did not indicate any information as CBI, do not click the lock symbol beside the "File Name".

Note: Prior to uploading, ensure that your completed Excel Reporting File is saved using the file name format: "ORGANIZATION NAME BPA SAFA s71 ERF.xlsx". The ORGANIZATION NAME should be identical to the "Company Name" listed on the Identification page of CMP's Chemicals Management - General initiative in Environment and Climate Change Canada's Single Window. Click "Add Document" again to upload any other document that should be included as part of the submission, such as unpublished studies or data, and choose the appropriate CBI status of the file as per 3a and 3b above. Files should not exceed 20 MB. If they do, please contact the Substances Management Information Line.

- 4. Do not complete the "Confidentiality Justification" section for the Chemicals Management General. Should information be entered in this section, it will not override the confidentiality responses provided in the reporting file.
- 5. Click "Save" at the bottom of the "General Document Upload" page.

  Note: All pages must be saved (even if they are left blank) in order for the green check mark to appear under each of the "Reporting Details" on the left menu.
- 6. Return to the CMP "Reporting Dashboard" by clicking on the "Chemicals Management General" link in the breadcrumbs at the top of the page and select "Submit" under "Actions".

**Note:** A completed online form must have a "Submitted" status on the CMP "Reporting Dashboard" in order for the data to be transmitted correctly. You will also receive a "Confirmation of submission" email to acknowledge receipt. We strongly recommend that you retain a copy of all documents that you submit.

**Tip:** You can save the CM-General form at any stage in the process and return later to complete and submit. Additionally, it is possible to amend a CM-General form once submitted.

## 16. Declaration of Stakeholder Interest

Persons not subject to the notice, but who have information the Government may find useful related to BPA SAFA substances, are encouraged to submit this information through a Declaration of Stakeholder Interest (SHI) via <a href="Environment and Climate">Environment and Climate</a> <a href="Change Canada's Single Window online reporting system">Change Canada's Single Window online reporting system</a>. Stakeholder data supplementing a mandatory response to this notice can also be submitted. For example, if you did not have activity with a reportable substance in 2019, but had activity in another calendar year, you are encouraged to provide information deemed beneficial for the alternate calendar years by completing an SHI.

When providing information through an SHI, please indicate if any of the information is confidential and provide a rationale.

Please note that an SHI submission must be submitted separately from a mandatory section 71 submission following instructions detailed in <u>Part 16.1</u>. A company submitting both SHI information and mandatory information must submit two different submissions.

#### 16.1 How to submit an SHI

Once your SWIM profile and organization are set-up (see <u>Part 14</u>), navigate to the home page of <u>SWIM</u> and click on the "Chemicals Management Plan" link. On the Chemicals Management Plan's "Reporting Dashboard" page, select the "Chemicals Management – General" initiative and click on the "Search" button. The search result at the bottom of the page will display the "**CM – General**" form that should be used to submit your SHI. Click on the pencil icon under "Actions" on the right side of the form with status "New" to start the submission process.

- 1. Fill in the "Identification" page and click "Save".
- On the "Substances to Report" page, which is accessed through the "Reporting Details" menu on the left side of the page, choose "SHI BPA SAFA" as the "Submission Purpose". Fill in the "Submission Title" as "BPA SAFA", and then click "Save".

Note: Do not add substances.

- 3. On the "General Document Upload" page:
  - a. Click "Add Document" and upload any pertinent documents. Under the "Notes" box, indicate the CAS RNs from the notice related to the document uploaded. Then click "Add".
    - i. If any information in the uploaded file is considered as confidential business information (CBI), click the lock symbol beside the "File Name". Otherwise, do not click on the lock symbol.

- ii. Files should not exceed 20 MB. If they do, please contact the <u>Substances Management Information Line</u>.
- b. If applicable, you can select the appropriate justification(s) in the "Confidentiality Justification" section to provide rationale regarding the nature of the confidentiality request.
- c. If you have not uploaded a document, indicate the CAS RNs from the notice that you are reporting on and any specific information you are sharing on these in the "Notes" box at the bottom of the page.
- 4. Click "Save" at the bottom of the "General Document Upload" page.

  Note: All pages must be saved (even if they are left blank) in order for the green check mark to appear under each of the "Reporting Details" on the left menu.
- 5. Return to the CMP "Reporting Dashboard" by clicking on the "Chemicals Management General" link in the breadcrumbs at the top of the page and select "Submit" under "Actions".

# 17. Declaration of Non-engagement

Persons who have no involvement with any reportable substances and have no commercial interest may send a Declaration of Non-Engagement (DNE) email to the <u>Substances Management Information Line</u>.

Indicate in the subject line of the <u>email</u> "BPA SAFA DNE" and specify your company name and its contact information.

## 18. Extensions

Requests for additional time to comply with this notice must be submitted in writing. The request must include:

- the organization name;
- contact information;
- CAS RN of substances involved; and
- the reason for the request.

It is important to note that you must request an extension of time in writing before **March 16**, **2022**. No extensions will be granted after the deadline has expired. It is recommended that any request for an extension be submitted at least five business days before the deadline.

Requests for an extension of time should be sent to the Minister of the Environment, at the following email address: substances@ec.gc.ca.

# 19. Questions?

You may contact the Substances Management Information Line at 1-800-567-1999 (toll-free in Canada), 819-938-3232 (outside of Canada) or <u>substances@ec.gc.ca</u> for any

inquiries concerning the notice. If using email, please indicate "BPA SAFA Notice Inquiry" in the subject line.

# Appendix 1: Substance Function Codes and Corresponding Descriptions

Substance function codes	Title	Description
U001	Abrasives	Substances used to wear down or polish surfaces by rubbing against the surface.
U002	Adhesives and sealant substances	Substances used to promote bonding between other substances, promote adhesion of surfaces, or prevent seepage of moisture or air.
U003	Adsorbents and absorbents	Substances used to retain other substances by accumulation on their surface or by assimilation.
U004	Agricultural substances (non-pesticidal)	Substances used to increase the productivity and quality of farm crops.
U005	Anti-adhesive agents	Substances used to prevent bonding between other substances by discouraging surface attachment.
U006	Bleaching agents	Substances used to lighten or whiten a substrate through chemical reaction, usually an oxidative process which degrades the color system.
U007	Corrosion inhibitors and anti-scaling agents	Substances used to prevent or retard corrosion or the formation of scale.
U008	Dyes	Substances used to impart color to other materials or mixtures by penetrating into the surface of the substrate.
U009	Fillers	Substances used to provide bulk, increase strength, increase hardness, or improve resistance to impact.
U010	Finishing agents	Substances used to impart such functions as softening, static-proofing, wrinkle resistance, and water repellence.
U011	Flame retardants	Substances used on the surface of or incorporated into combustible materials to reduce or eliminate their tendency to ignite when exposed to heat or a flame.
U012	Fuels and fuel additives	Substances used to create mechanical or thermal energy through chemical reactions, or which are added to a fuel for the purpose of controlling the rate of reaction or limiting the production of undesirable combustion products, or which provide other benefits such as corrosion inhibition, lubrication, or detergency.

Substance function codes	Title	Description
U013	Functional fluids (closed systems)	Liquid or gaseous substances used for one or more operational properties in a closed system. This code does not include fluids used as lubricants.
U014	Functional fluids (open systems)	Liquid or gaseous substances used for one or more operational properties in an open system.
U015	Intermediates	Substances consumed in a reaction to produce other substances for commercial advantage.
U016	lon exchange agents	Substances that are used to selectively remove targeted ions from a solution. This code also includes aluminosilicate zeolites.
U017	Lubricants and lubricant additives	Substances used to reduce friction, heat, or wear between moving parts or adjacent solid surfaces, or that enhance the lubricity of other substances.
U018	Odour agents	Substances used to control odours, remove odours, mask odours, or impart odours.
U019	Oxidizing and reducing agents	Substances used to alter the valence state of another substance by donating or accepting electrons or by the addition or removal of hydrogen to a substance.
U020	Photosensitive substances	Substances used for their ability to alter their physical or chemical structure through absorption of light, resulting in the emission of light, dissociation, discoloration, or other chemical reaction.
U021	Pigments	Substances used to impart color to other materials or mixtures by attaching themselves to the surface of the substrate through binding or adhesion.
U022	Plasticizers	Substances used in plastics, cement, concrete, wallboard, clay bodies, or other materials to increase their plasticity or fluidity.
U023	Plating agents and surface treating agents	Substances applied to metal, plastic, or other surfaces to alter physical or chemical properties of the surface.
U024	Process regulators	Substances used to change the rate of a reaction, start or stop the reaction, or otherwise influence the course of the reaction.
U025	Processing aids, specific to petroleum production	Substances added to water, oil, or synthetic drilling muds or other petroleum production fluids to control foaming, corrosion, alkalinity and pH, microbiological growth or hydrate formation, or to improve the operation of processing equipment during the production of oil, gas, and other products or mixtures from beneath the earth's surface.

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codes	Title	Description
U026	Processing aids, not otherwise covered in this table	Substances used in applications other than the production of oil, gas, or geothermal energy to control foaming, corrosion or alkalinity and pH, or to improve the operation of processing equipment.
U027	Propellants and blowing agents	Substances used to dissolve or suspend other substances and either to expel those substances from a container in the form of an aerosol or to impart a cellular structure to plastics, rubber, or thermoset resins.
U028	Solids separation agents	Substances used to promote the separation of suspended solids from a liquid.
U029	Solvents (for cleaning or degreasing)	Substances used to dissolve oils, greases and similar materials from textiles, glassware, metal surfaces, and other articles.
U030	Solvents (which become part of formulation or mixture)	Substances used to dissolve another substance to form a uniformly dispersed solution at the molecular level.
U031	Surface active agents	Substances used to modify surface tension when dissolved in water or water solutions, or reduce interfacial tension between two liquids or between a liquid and a solid or between liquid and air.
U032	Viscosity adjustors	Substances used to alter the viscosity of another substance.
U033	Laboratory substances	Substances used in a laboratory for chemical analysis, chemical synthesis, extracting and purifying other chemicals, dissolving other substances, and similar activities.
U034	Paint additives and coating additives not otherwise covered in this table	Substances used in a paint or coating formulation to enhance properties such as water repellence, increased gloss, improved fade resistance, ease of application or foam prevention.
U061	Pest control substances	Substances used as active ingredients in products, mixtures or manufactured items used for directly or indirectly controlling, destroying, attracting or repelling a pest or for mitigating or preventing its injurious, noxious or troublesome effects.
U062	Active ingredients in health products and drugs	Substances used as active ingredients in natural health products or prescription or non-prescription drugs.

Substance function codes	Title	Description
U063	Flavourants	Substances used as non-medicinal ingredients or excipients in foods, natural health products, and drugs that impart a certain flavor to the food, natural health product or drug.
U064	Contaminants	Substances naturally present in a reactant or substances that are produced as a result of the manufacturing process and have no beneficial properties in the final product, mixture or manufactured item.
U065	By-products	Substances resulting from the manufacturing process, which can be partially or completely removed from the intended product, mixture or manufactured item and have commercial value on their own or when added to another product, mixture or manufactured item.
U066	Wastes	Substances that are removed from the final product, mixture or manufactured item during the manufacturing process and have no commercial value.
U067	Function of substance in imported manufactured item unknown	Substance function in imported manufactured item is unknown. To be used only for imported manufactured items.
U999	Other (specify)	Substances with a function not otherwise described in this table. A written description must be provided when using this code.

# Appendix 2: Application Codes and Corresponding Descriptions

PART 1 Furnishings, cleaning, treatment or care

Application codes	Title	Description
C101	Floor coverings	Substances contained in floor coverings. This code does not include wood and pressed wood flooring products included in Building/Construction Materials – Wood and Engineered Wood code.
C102	Foam seating and bedding	Substances contained in foam mattresses, pillows, cushions, and any seating, furniture and furnishings containing foam.
C103	Furniture and furnishings not otherwise	Substances contained in furniture and furnishings made from metal, wood, leather, plastic or other materials. This code does not include foam seating and bedding products.

Application codes	Title	Description
	covered in this table	
C104	Fabric, textile and leather articles not otherwise covered in this table	Substances contained in fabric, textile and leather products to impart color and other desirable properties such as water, soil, stain repellence, wrinkle resistance, or flame resistance.
C105	Cleaning and furnishing care	Substances contained in products, mixtures or manufactured items that are used to remove dirt, grease, stains, and foreign matter from furniture and furnishings, or to cleanse, sanitize, bleach, scour, polish, protect, or improve the appearance of surfaces. A written description must be provided when using this code.
C106	Laundry and dishwashing	Substances contained in laundry and dishwashing products, mixtures or manufactured items.
C107	Water treatment	Substances contained in water treatment products, mixtures or manufactured items that are designed to disinfect, reduce contaminants or other undesirable constituents, and condition or improve aesthetics of water. Excludes any substance contained in pest control products as defined under the Pest Control Products Act.
C108	Personal care and cosmetics	Substances contained in personal care products, mixtures or manufactured items that are used for cleansing, grooming, improving or altering skin, hair, or teeth. A written description must be provided when using this code.
C109	Air care	Substances contained in products, mixtures or manufactured items that are used to odorize or deodorize indoor air in homes, offices, motor vehicles, and other enclosed spaces.
C110	Apparel and footwear care	Substances contained in apparel and footwear care products, mixtures or manufactured items that are applied post-market.
C160	Pet care	Substances contained in pet care products, mixtures or manufactured items that are used for cleansing, grooming, improving or altering skin, hair or teeth and intended for animal use.

PART 2 Construction, paint, electrical or metal

Application		
codes	Title	Description
C201	Adhesives and sealants	Substances contained in adhesive or sealant products or mixtures used to fasten other materials together or prevent the passage of liquid or gas.
C202.01	Paints and coatings (excluding thermal paper coating)	Substances contained in paints or coatings, excluding thermal paper coating.
C202.02	Paint thinners and removers	Substances contained in paint thinners and removers.
C203	Building or construction materials — Wood and engineered wood	Substances contained in building and construction materials made of wood and pressed or engineered wood products, mixtures or manufactured items. Excludes any substance contained in pest control products as defined under the Pest Control Products Act.
C204	Building or construction materials not otherwise covered in this table	Substances contained in building and construction materials not otherwise covered in this table.
C205	Electrical and electronics	Substances contained in electrical and electronic products, mixtures or manufactured items.
C206	Metal materials not otherwise covered in this table	Substances contained in metal products, mixtures or manufactured items not otherwise covered in this table.
C207	Batteries	Substances contained in non-rechargeable and rechargeable batteries including dry and wet cell units that store energy.

## PART 3

Packaging, paper, plastic or hobby

Application		
codes	Title	Description
C301.01	Food packaging material, single- serve, single-use or disposable	Substances contained in single-serve, single-use or disposable or multi-layered packaging or containers consisting of paper, plastic, metal, foil or other materials, which is intended to or may come in direct contact with food or beverage. Includes but is not limited to, single-

Application codes	Title	Description
Codes	inic	serve/disposable bowls, plates, cups, other serving-ware, as well as food cans and lid liners.
C301.02	Reusable food and beverage container	Substances contained in reusable single or multi-layered packaging or containers consisting of plastic, metal, rubber or other materials such as fabrics or textiles, which is intended to or may come in direct contact with food.
C302.01	Packaging (excluding food packaging), including paper articles	Substances contained in packaging products, mixtures or manufactured items, including paper packaging and excluding food packaging.
C302.02	Thermal paper	Substances contained in thermal paper and thermal paper coating such as point of sale receipts (e.g., cash registers, wireless payment terminals, ATMs, banks), labels (e.g., prescriptions, industrial barcodes, packaged items such as supermarket foods (e.g., deli meats, cheese, bulk items), retail shelf labels), tickets (e.g., airline, train, cinema, parking, theater, gaming, sporting events, amusement parks, arenas, museums, lottery) and laboratory printouts (e.g., ultrasound, electrocardiogram (EKG), printouts from other laboratory/medical recorders).
C302.03	Other paper articles	Substances contained in paper products, mixtures or manufactured items not otherwise covered in this table.
C303.01	Plastic materials not otherwise covered in this table	Substances contained in plastic products, mixtures or manufactured items not otherwise covered in this table.
C303.02	Rubber materials not otherwise covered in this table	Substances contained in rubber products, mixtures or manufactured items not otherwise covered in this table.
C304	Toys, playground and sporting equipment	Substances contained in toys, playground, and sporting equipment made of wood, metal, plastic or fabric. A written description must be provided when using this code.
C305	Arts, crafts and hobby materials	Substances contained in arts, crafts, and hobby materials.
C306	Ink, toner and colourants	Substances contained in ink, toners and colourants used for writing, printing, creating an image on paper; and substances contained in other substrates, or applied to substrates to change their color or hide images.

Application codes	Title	Description
C307	<u> </u>	Substances contained in photographic supplies, film, photoprocessing substances, and photographic paper.
	photo-chemicals	, , , , ,

PART 4
Automotive, fuel, gariculture or outdoor use

Application				
codes	Title	Description		
C401	Automotive care	Substances contained in products, mixtures or manufactured items used in automotive cleaning and care of exterior and interior vehicle surfaces. This code does not include antifreeze, de-icing products, or lubricants.		
C402	Lubricants and greases	Substances contained in products, mixtures or manufactured items to reduce friction, heat generation and wear between solid surfaces.		
C403	Anti-freeze and de-icing	Substances added to fluids to reduce the freezing point of the mixture, or substances applied to surfaces to melt or prevent build-up of ice.		
C404	Fuels and related products, mixtures or manufactured items	Substances burned to produce heat, light or power, or added to inhibit corrosion, provide lubrication, increase efficiency of use, or decrease production of undesirable byproducts.		
C405	Explosive materials	Substances capable of producing a sudden expansion, usually accompanied by the production of heat and large changes in pressure upon ignition.		
C406	Agricultural products, mixtures or manufactured items (non-pesticidal)	Substances used to increase the productivity and quality of plants, animals or forestry crops, produced on a commercial scale. Includes animal feed (any substance or mixture of substances for consumption by livestock, providing the nutritional requirements of livestock, or the purpose of preventing or correcting nutritional disorders of livestock, as defined in the Feeds Act and Regulations).		
C407	Lawn and garden care	Substances contained in lawn, garden, outdoor or potted plant and tree care products, mixtures or manufactured items. Excludes any substance contained in pest control products as defined under the Pest Control Products Act.		
C461	Pest control	Substances contained in any product, mixture or manufactured item for directly or indirectly controlling, preventing, destroying, mitigating, attracting, or repelling any pest.		
C462	Automotive, aircraft and transportation	Substances contained in automobiles, aircraft and other types of transportation, or used in their manufacture.		
C463	Oil and natural gas extraction	Substances that are, or are contained in, any mixtures, products or manufactured items, used for oil and natural gas drilling, extraction and processing.		

PART 5 Items for food, health or tobacco

Application		
codes	Title	Description
C562	Food and	Substances contained in food and beverage products,
	beverage	mixtures or manufactured items.
C563	Drugs	Substances contained in prescription and non-prescription
		drugs intended for humans or animals.
C564	Natural health	Substances contained in natural health products, mixtures or
		manufactured items intended for humans or animals.
C565	Medical devices	Substances contained in products, mixtures or manufactured items used for either the diagnosis, treatment, mitigation or
		prevention of a disease, disorder, or an abnormal physical
		state; or those used in restoring, correcting or modifying
		organic functions in humans or animals.
C566	Tobacco	Substances contained in products, mixtures or manufactured
	products,	items composed in whole or in part of tobacco, including
	mixtures or	tobacco leaves and any extract of tobacco leaves.
	manufactured	
	items	

PART 6
Products, mixtures or manufactured items not described by other codes

Application codes	Title	Description
C999	Other	Substances contained in products, mixtures or manufactured items that are not described within any other application code.
		A written description must be provided when using this code.