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Prioritize Your Chemicals: A Guide

Source: Supply Chain Solutions Center

Safer product design begins with defining your chemical footprint and setting goals for reduction. But when you have a large company, the size of the problem could be daunting. Rooted in our successful work with companies, EDF has created a step-by-step guide to help companies through this process.

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EPA Won't Ban Chlorpyrifos, Pesticide Tied to Children's Health Problems

Source: The New York Times Author: Lisa Friedman

In making the chlorpyrifos ruling, the E.P.A. said in a statement that the data supporting objections to the use of the pesticide was "not sufficiently valid, complete or reliable." The agency added that it would continue to monitor the safety of chlorpyrifos through 2022.

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See also <u>DPR/CDFA Announce Team for Chlorpyrifos Alternatives</u> and <u>Chlorpyrifos:</u> <u>Assessment Identifies Human Health Effects</u>.

Regulators Concerned Bottled Water, Not Just Tap, May Contain PFAS Contaminants

Source: Consumer Reports

Author: Ryan Felton

Tap water contaminated with chemicals known as PFAS has become a major concern for some communities across the U.S. in recent years, with many turning to bottled water as an alternative source. But after tests last month showed that bottled spring water sold in several New England states had also been tainted by PFAS, questions are being raised about the safety of bottled water for those dealing with problems at their tap.

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See also <u>Attorneys General Urge Congress to Act on 'Forever Chemicals'</u> and <u>DOD</u> <u>Moving Forward With Task Force to Address PFAS</u>.

Toxic Chemicals Hindering the Recovery of Britain's Rivers

Source: Phys.org

Author: Cardiff University

Toxic chemicals from past decades could be hindering the recovery of Britain's urban rivers, concludes a recent study by scientists from Cardiff University, the University of Exeter, and the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology.

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See also <u>Environmental Challenges for the Merrimack River</u> and <u>Live Water Quality Data</u> for the Lower Merrimack River.

Nano Might Be Really Small, but the Consequences Might Not Be

Source: ChemSec

Author: Dr. Anna Lennquist

What makes nano interesting, promising and worrying at the same time is the fact that nano-size particles can have very different properties from the same material when it's made of larger particles.

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See also <u>Review of Emerging Concepts in Nanotoxicology: Opportunities and Challenges</u> for Safer Nanomaterial Design and <u>Continuing to Protect the Nanotechnology Workforce:</u> <u>NIOSH Nanotechnology Research Plan for 2018-2025</u>.

Amazon Adds Vendor Surcharge for Oversized, Inefficient Packaging

Source: Environmental Leader

Author: Alyssa Danigelis

Vendors selling on Amazon must switch to efficient, compact packaging or face a surcharge on each item sent. Companies that transitioned their packaging to the new standards early were rewarded with credits.

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