

Re: Notification of Consultation and Coordination on Proposed Rulemakings under the Toxic Substances Control Act for 1) Methylene Chloride and n-Methylpyrrolidone in Paint Removers and 2) Trichloroethylene in Certain Uses

Dear Honorable Leader:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) is initiating consultation and coordination with federally-recognized Indian Tribes regarding the following actions proposed under Section 6(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA): Methylene Chloride and n-Methylpyrrolidone in Paint Removers and Trichloroethylene in Certain Uses.

This consultation and coordination process will be conducted in accordance with the *EPA Policy on Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribes* ([www.epa.gov/tribal/consultation/consult-policy.htm](http://www.epa.gov/tribal/consultation/consult-policy.htm)). OPPT invites you and your designated consultation representative(s) to participate in this process. OPPT's anticipated timeline for the consultation and coordination period is from April 21, 2015 – June 30, 2015. During this period, OPPT will be conducting two Tribal consultations and a Webinar to provide technical background. To participate, OPPT invites you or your designee to join us during the Webinar and one or both of the following consultation calls:

**Tuesday, May 12, 2015, Technical Background Webinar from 1:00 – 3:00 pm EDT**  
<https://epa.connectsolutions.com/r86kg1bhy55/>

**Wednesday, June 3, 2015, Tribal Consultation 1 from 1:00-3:00 pm (EDT)**  
Call in number: 1-800-380-1073  
Please dial Conference ID number: 16639928

**Thursday, June 4, 2015, Tribal Consultation 2 from 12:00-2:00 pm (EDT)**  
Call in number: 1-800-380-1073  
Please dial Conference ID number: 16657221

You will hear music after dialing-in, and then the operator will place you into conference. If you are unavailable for these calls and have comments, including written comments, on any of these actions, please send them to: Irina Myers at [myers.irina@epa.gov](mailto:myers.irina@epa.gov).

Should you wish to send comments through the mail, please send them to:

Irina Myers  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics – MC 7408M  
1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20460

Enclosed are background materials for these actions for your review. This information will also be made available on *EPA's Tribal Portal* (<http://www.epa.gov/tribal/consultation>).

We look forward to hearing from you on these important matters and hope you can join us on one of these calls. If you have any other questions or we may be of additional assistance in the interim, please contact Irina Myers, on my staff, at [myers.irina@epa.gov](mailto:myers.irina@epa.gov) or 202-564-8822.

Sincerely,

Wendy Cleland-Hamnett  
Director  
Office of Pollution Prevention & Toxics

cc: National Tribal Toxics Council  
National Tribal Operations Committee  
JoAnn Chase, Director, American Indian Environmental Office  
Felicia Fort, Acting Director, Environmental Assistance Division  
Maria Doa, Director, Chemical Control Division  
Tala Henry, Director, National Program Chemicals Division  
Cindy Wire, OCSPP Lead Region Coordinator  
Teri Bahrich, Tribal Lead Region Coordinator, Region 8

Enclosures