



OVERVIEW

The Government of Ontario has announced new red tape proposals in line with their commitment to table semi-annual red tape reviews.

CME has been working closely with multiple ministries across the entire government to help manufactures reduce business costs as part of the red-tape reduction strategy. Efforts have included many meetings, submissions and presentations to elected and non-elected officials.

NEXT STEPS

There will be another red tape bill tabled for the Fall where we expect it will be an even more robust legislative package.

CME is encouraging members to flag red tape submissions so we can advocate you your behalf.

REPRESENTATION

KEY POINTS: SPRING RED TAPE PACKAGE

REGULATORY REVIEWS

- **Low-risk noise & odor incidents:** Conduct review of compliance practices & focus resources on higher-risk incidents
- **Waste:** Developing a consultation paper to review the scope, which could lead to regulatory changes

ALIGNING ONTARIO WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS

- **Acetone reporting requirements:** Revoke annual acetone emissions release reporting requirements and, amending acetone use in products reporting regulations
- **Energy & Water Efficiency:** Update standards to better harmonize with other leading jurisdictions while maintaining existing efficiency standards
- **Occupational Health & Safety:** Permit businesses to use the “Quebec model” for calculating exposures to hazardous substances for irregular work shifts

MODERNIZING REGULATIONS

- **Certification Management System (CMS):** Eliminates the need for paper records, instead allowing training providers to use a simpler and cost-effective electronic submission process
- **Environment Compliance Approvals:** Pilot project to consolidate environmental approvals for a manufacturer’s entire facility into a single, simplified application
- **Joint Health & Safety Committee (JHSC): training:** New E-Learning option and streamlined timelines to reflect self-paced learning and the use of technology

SIMPLIFYING HEALTH & SAFETY

- **Occupational Health & Safety:**
 - Raises the threshold for notification of construction projects in auto manufacturing workplaces
 - Consolidates and updates nine separate Medical Surveillance Codes into a single code. And, replaces 16 separate Codes for Respiratory Equipment and Measuring Airborne Substances with new, updated and consolidated respiratory protection and measuring provisions.
- **Supporting Ontario’s Safe Employers (SOSE):** Introduction of the program to promote and recognize excellent in occupational health and safety management
- **Safety Equipment Requirements for Industrial Establishments:** Updated to allow the use of:
 - Alternative procedures if worker health and safety is as well-protected,
 - Personal flotation devices and,
 - Antidotes, flushing fluids or washes instead of eyewash fountains or emergency showers

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