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Biography

Edgar Rodriguez Sierra is a Regulatory Compliance Specialist with more than 18 years of professional experience in industrial safety and hygiene with emphasis on the sectors of health, manufacturing, customer service, and military. His knowledge of substance classification, REACH and the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemical Products (GHS) aids exchange of regulatory information with governmental coordinators in Latin America.

With more than 12 years of environmental, toxicological, clinical and analytical experience, Edgar's career has at various times, focused on narcotics, bio-analysis, asbestos, lead, and laboratory air quality in Germany, Italy, and the United States. Edgar is a highly sought-after speaker, frequently receiving invitations at national and international regulatory conferences. Edgar possesses technical and conversational capabilities to discuss environmental regulations in five languages; Spanish, English, Italian, Portuguese and French.

Abstract

Since the 2011 publication of the voluntary GHS standard, NMX-R-019-SCFI-2011, the 2011 authorization of an alternate GHS Safety Data Sheet, and the 2014 authorization of an alternate GHS chemical identification and classification under NOM-018-STPS-2003, the chemical industry has awaited the promulgation of a mandatory workplace GHS standard in Mexico. The speculation was that any mandatory standard would be enacted in the same manner as the Brazilian implementation, under the mandates of an existing workplace standard.

This presentation will discuss the recent update to NOM-018-STPS-2015, *The Harmonized Identification and Hazard Communication and Risk System of Workplace Hazardous Chemicals*, and other relevant regulations that influence the Hazard Communication infrastructure in Mexico.