

Streamline chemical compliance and processes

with a comprehensive product stewardship strategy

OVERVIEW

A large multinational apparel manufacturing and retailer sought to streamline and strengthen its chemical compliance systems and processes in preparation for additional voluntary restricted substances screening. Prior to the adoption of Sphera's software in mid-2016, the apparel firm was using manual systems and processes for managing chemical SDS information, including binder storage and manual label printing at each of their facility sites. This created critical issues in chemical data management, updates and reporting.

Apparel Firm



Founded in: 1940



Consumer Goods/Manufacturing



Global

CHALLENGES



Siloed and limited access

to safety data sheet (SDS) documents through a paper-based system



Manual creation

of label-making and formatting



Large quantity and variation

of chemicals used in their manufacturing process



Lack of insight

on environmental impact



SOLUTION

SPHERA'S CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

The firm turned to Sphera to streamline approximately 3,700 SDS documents from nearly 1,300 vendors that are dispersed across 33 production facilities in eight countries. The goal was to deploy a centralized, universal database that allowed its 27,000 employees to access pertinent chemical data with ease to make informed decisions.

Sphera's Chemical Management solution helps organizations manage global chemical data within a single SaaS system to:

- Integrate regulatory data and chemical approval functionality
- Access 1 million unique product profiles and up-to-date SDS for each
- Facilitate powerful reporting on any chemical-related data with global capabilities

RESULTS

With Sphera's Chemical Management solution, the apparel firm was able to save each of the 80 relevant employees approximately three weeks of time annually by eliminating the need to manually update and print SDS documents as well as manually search for similar chemicals already approved. In addition, they were able to optimize their chemical usage to curb their environmental impact.



Employees can go directly
to the cloud-based system and search for SDS documents across all firm-wide facilities within minutes



Automated SDS label printing
with compliant pictograms and formatting to meet regulatory requirements



Reduced the quantity and variation
of chemicals used in their manufacturing process



Employees can view eco-certifications
alongside SDS details to screen for 'greener' chemical alternatives

Contact us to learn more about Sphera's Chemical Management software.

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