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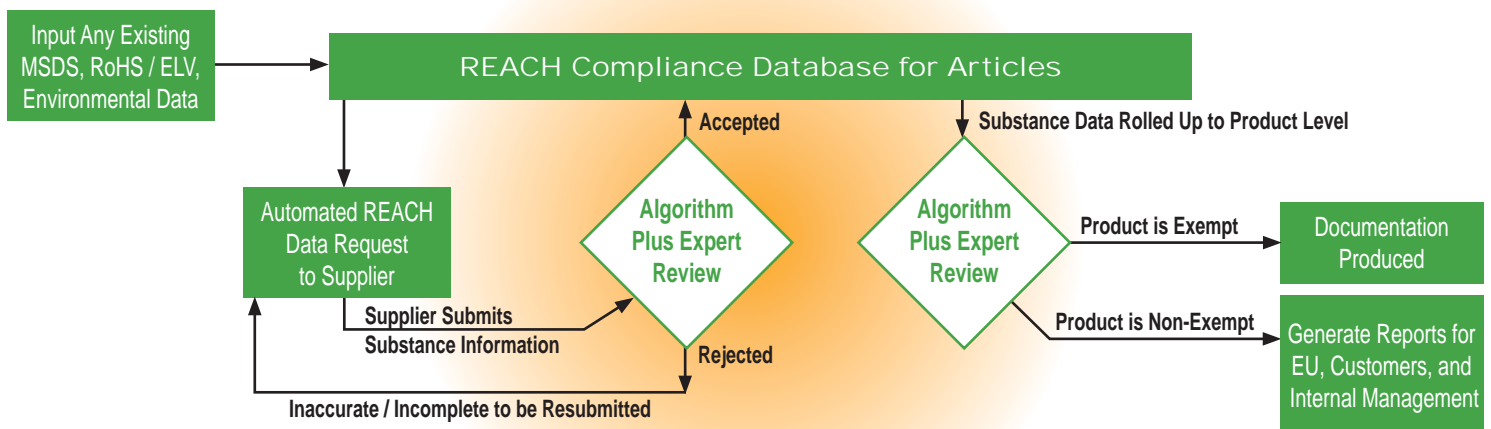
REACH Services for Articles Manufacturers

PROBLEM: Articles manufacturers have numerous exemptions under REACH (Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals). For example, it is not necessary to register a substance in an article if it is not intentionally released from the article. However, that same substance may incur a “notification” obligation if it appears on a list of Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) which will be released by the European Union (EU) in 2008. In most cases, you will also be required to communicate the presence of an SVHC in your articles to your customers.

Two major challenges facing articles manufacturers are:

- How to correctly identify all the article exemptions under REACH, and to take advantage of them to avoid unnecessary work
- How to track the mountain of substance data in all products and to utilize this data to report to the EU and to customers, for those articles which are non-exempt from REACH obligations

SOLUTION: Tetra Tech has deep experience working through these issues with articles manufacturers. Our approach is to first leverage any of your existing MSDS, RoHS/ELV, and other environmental data; then rapidly conduct a substance inventory with your supply chain, compile this information into a database and, through a combination of algorithms and expert analysis, segregate your products into “exempt” and “non-exempt” categories. The exempt products are documented for compliance, and the appropriate reports are generated for the EU and for your customers for the non-exempt products. The approach is a rational solution for minimizing the time and effort for compliance determination and report generation.



RESULT: 100% of your products are REACH compliant. Your cost and effort is minimized by leveraging expert teams and intelligent database solutions, and by bringing your suppliers into the process as stakeholders, sharing the workload and responsibilities throughout the supply chain.