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REACH Services for Electronics Companies

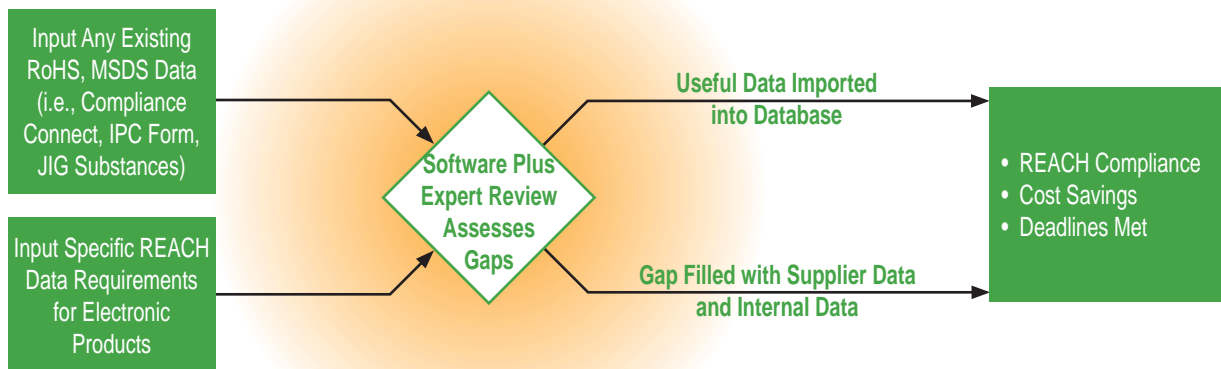
PROBLEM: Electronics manufacturers and exporters are producing mostly Articles, which have numerous exemptions under REACH (Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals). For example, it is not necessary to register a substance, such as a lead compound in a resistor, if it is not intentionally released from the resistor. However, that same lead compound 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 would be required to communicate the presence of lead compounds in resistors to your customers.

Two major challenges facing electronics companies are:

- Correctly and cost-effectively identifying all SVHCs in components
- Tracking the mountain of substance data in all products and utilizing data to report to the EU and to customers those articles that are non-exempt from REACH obligations

SOLUTION: Tetra Tech has collected and tracked substance data for hundreds of electronics companies in support of the Restriction on Hazardous Substances (RoHS) Directive. If you are RoHS compliant, our approach is to leverage this RoHS Compliance data, along with other environmental data, such as MSDSs, to meet the REACH requirement for a fraction of the cost incurred if you addressed REACH in a vacuum.

We capture your RoHS data, do a gap analysis against the new REACH requirements, and intelligently minimize your resource needs by addressing only the gap between RoHS and REACH. Starting a REACH compliance program from scratch, while better than doing nothing, can be a serious waste of resources when much of the data already exists in your systems or in your supply chain’s systems.



RESULT: 100% of your products are REACH compliant. Cost and effort is minimized by leveraging expert teams and intelligent database solutions, and by avoiding a redundant revisiting of the same steps taken toward RoHS Compliance.

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