US California Proposed Regulation to List Carpets with PFAS as Priority Product

In February 2020, California's Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) proposed a regulation to list carpets and rugs containing perfluoroalkyl or In February 2020, California's Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) proposed a regulation to list carpets and rugs containing perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) as a priority product under the state's Safer Consumer Products (SCP) program. According to the proposed regulation, carpets and rugs means any consumer product made from natural or synthetic fabric intended to be used as a floor covering inside commercial or residential buildings. This includes carpeted door mats, but does not include:

- Carpets and rugs intended solely for outdoor use;
- Carpets and rugs intended solely for use inside airplanes, trains, ships,
- automobiles, light duty trucks, vans, buses, or any other vehicles, as well
- as aftermarket or replacement parts marketed solely for use in vehicles;
- Resilient floor coverings;
- Artificial turf;
- Wall hangings and coverings;
- Table mats; and
- Camping sleeping mats.

If this proposed regulation is adopted, manufactures of this product-chemical combination should notify DTSC and will need to either remove the items from the California market or perform an alternative analysis to find safer options.

The public comments can be made by April 13, 2020 for this regulatory proposal.

PROPOSED REGULATORY TEXT
https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2020/02/PFAS-CR_Template-Proposed-Regulatory-Text.pdf

Link

CA DTSC PROPOSED REGULATION
https://dtsc.ca.gov/regs/proposed-regulation-pfass-in-carpets-and-rugs/

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