SPECIAL FEATURE

Intertek and IQTC Help Textile & Garment Companies Increase Speed to Market with New Services

Intertek and Guangdong Inspection & Quarantine Technology Center (IQTC) entered into agreement this past April to jointly provide the value-added solution of “One Testing and Two Reports” starting May 2009 and on.

This exclusive new service offering assists textile and garment companies in meeting various national and international regulatory standards by granting one cycle of testing with Intertek to produce actually two different but necessary reports. In order to export out of China, not only do you need a testing report from a third party testing provider stating you took the necessary precautions to ensure the safety and quality of your product, but you also need what is known as an IQTC report. This IQTC report required is closely reviewed locally by Chinese authorities before exportation can occur to further ensure the merchandise exporting out of China is well controlled and meets overseas requirements.

Now, the same Intertek test and accompanying test report generated, recognized by the IQTC, manufacturers can now reduce testing costs by avoiding duplication of testing itself while simultaneously shortening their overall time to market.

With Europe and the U.S. releasing export quota limitations on textiles made in China, Chinese garment exporters have been entering a free trade era of “Borderless Trade” since 1 January 2009. The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the PRC accords great importance to the quality of export garments and as a result has strengthened significantly the supervision of the exportation of garments out of China. Special inspections by AQSIQ have been conducted on the quality of textile and garments in 2007, 2008 and 2009 and are expected to continue.

Related seminars and trainings will be held by Intertek to enhance clients’ understanding of the technical requirements necessary and how to implement the process into their supply chain seamlessly.

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BSI Publishes Standard for Safety of Children’s Sleep Bags

Recent years have seen an increase in the popularity of sleeping bags for babies. They provide an alternative form of bedding to the more traditional blankets.

Manufacturers and retailers of these products will already be familiar with the BPA Code of Practice, developed by the Baby Products Association to provide guidance on safety aspects of these products.

BSI has developed a safety standard for these products and this has now been published as “BS 8510:2009 Child use and care articles – Safety of children’s sleep bags – Safety requirements and test methods”

Now it is published, this standard takes precedence over the BPA Code of Practice for assessing safety issues under the General Product Safety Directive.

What products does the standard cover?
The scope of the standard covers safety requirements for “sleep bags for the use of children with a minimum weight of 4kg designed to provide sufficient warmth so as to remove the need for additional bedding when sleeping in a cot or similar product in which a child is contained”

What products are excluded?
It specifically states that it does not apply to garments with sleeves and feet, or to products designed for outdoor use or to keep children warm in a pushchair, nor to sleeping bags covered by EN 13537.

What is included in the standard?
Key areas covered by the standard include
- Chemical hazards
- Thermal hazards
- Mechanical hazards

Chemical hazards include heavy metals and formaldehyde.

Thermal hazards include flammability and a test to establish the thermal resistance (“tog value”) of the product.

Mechanical hazards include, amongst others, entrapment, strangulation and security of attachment tests to establish possible choking hazards.

The standard also gives clear guidance on what markings and warnings should be made available on the product at point of sale.

A full copy of the standard may be purchased from BSI Customer Services, Tel: +44 (0) 20 8996 9001 or go to www.bsi-global.com

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Magnetic Toys Update – UK Warning Regulations Revoked

From 23 June 2009 magnetic toys placed on the UK market will no longer require a magnetic toys warning, now that the UK requirements have finally been revoked.

Until then, the Magnetic Toys (Safety) Regulations 2008 SI No 1654 have retained the warning for all magnetic toys placed on the UK market, per the temporary EU Magnetic Toys Decision 2008/329/EC, even though it expired on 21 April 2009.
The 2008 UK Regulations have now been revoked by the Magnetic Toys (Safety) (Revocation) Regulations 2009 SI No 1347 which come into force on 23 June.

A copy of these revocation Regulations can be downloaded from the UK’s Office of Public Sector Information website per the following link:

Magnetic toys sold in the EU, including the UK, shall comply with the new magnetic toys requirements of Amendment A8:2009 to EN 71-1:2005. These requirements focus on the magnetic flux index and size of the magnet(s)/magnetic component(s), which shall either have a magnetic flux index less than 50 kG²mm² or not be small parts.

Requirements for paint strippers containing dichloromethane (DCM) at a concentration equal to or greater than 0.1 % by weight

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<td>Shall not be placed on the market for the first time for supply to the general public or professionals</td>
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<td>Shall not be placed on the market for supply to the general public or professionals</td>
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<td>Paint strippers containing dichloromethane (DCM) at a concentration equal to or greater than 0.1 % by weight shall be labelled: &quot;Restricted to industrial use and to professionals approved in certain EU Member States – verify where use is allowed.”</td>
<td>These paint strippers may only be supplied to:</td>
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<td>• Professionals for use where permitted in the Member State</td>
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<td>Shall not be used by professionals (unless permitted by a Member State derogation)</td>
<td>Member States have the option to permit the supply to and use by specifically trained professionals of paint strippers exceeding the 0.1 % DCM limit for certain activities within their territory</td>
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Professionals using paint strippers exceeding the 0.1 % DCM limit after 6 June 2012 may do so only:
• Within the territory of a Member State permitting such use and in accordance with its national requirements.
• After specific training in the safe and competent use of DCM-containing paint strippers; supported by a certificate or other documentary evidence recognised by the Member State.
• Having evaluated and managed the risks to health, including the use of alternatives materials or processes and working conditions, adequate ventilation and use of personal protective equipment.

Industrial installations using DCM-containing paint strippers are subject to tighter controls.

Definitions
• Professional
Any natural or legal person, including workers and self-employed workers undertaking paint stripping in the course of their professional activity outside an industrial installation.
Industrial installation
A facility used for paint stripping activities.

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Remark:

EU – Restricted Substances Requirements Revised Under REACH

From 1 June 2009, Annex XVII of REACH takes effect, incorporating the previous restrictions in the Marketing and Use of Certain Dangerous Substances and Preparations Directive 76/769/EEC and amending the procedure by which new restrictions are proposed.

Restricted Substances Requirements
The superseded Marketing and Use Directive is more commonly known as its numerous amendments, which have now been consolidated and transposed into Annex XVII, for example:
- “Blue Colourant” Directive 2003/3/EC
- Cadmium Directive 91/338/EEC
- Nickel Directive 94/27/EC
- Phthalates Directive 2005/84/EC

These requirements continue to apply regardless of the tonnage of the substance manufactured or imported (unlike other REACH requirements). As REACH is an EU Regulation these restrictions apply directly in each Member State without the need for further implementation (as was the case with the old Directive).

Despite the transposition, there are some minor differences between the amended 76/769/EEC and Annex XVII, of which the main ones are:

- Cadmium
  Annex XVII now clarifies that the restrictions apply to dried coatings of water- and solvent-based paints, varnishes, enamels and lacquers (based on synthetic or chemically-modified natural polymers) used to give colour to finished articles or components of articles.

  Confusion had arisen over the use in the Cadmium Directive 91/338/EEC of the EU Common Nomenclature (CN) Codes 3208 and 3209. These Customs Codes apply to the coatings in the liquid form, without the new clear link to articles and components using these materials.

  In the Netherlands, the additional requirements of the Dutch Cadmium Decree have now been withdrawn, to align fully with the EU REACH Annex XVII/Directive 91/338/EEC cadmium restrictions.

- Nickel
  The test methods to be used are now merely referred to as “The standards adopted by the European Committee for Standardization (CEN) shall be used as the test methods for demonstrating the conformity of articles to paragraphs 1 and 2.” Technically this isn’t a change as the current standards EN 1811:1999+A1:2008 and EN 12472:2005 will be used.

New Procedure for Restricting Substances
Under the new procedure an EU Member State, or on request from the Commission, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) may propose a new restriction for the manufacture, placing on the market or use of a dangerous substance, as such, or in preparations or in articles.

The first step will be submission of an Annex XV dossier which covers the hazards and risks posed, along with alternative substances/techniques to replace the substance, other EU legislative measures to deal with the issues, and a cost/benefit analysis for the proposal. The dossier, with commercially sensitive information removed, will be made available on the ECHA website.

The proposal is then considered by the ECHA’s Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) and the...
Committee for Socio-Economic Analysis (SEAC), which will also be published on the ECHA website. After this the Commission will prepare a draft amendment to Annex XVII to be voted on by the European Council (EU Member States) and considered by the European Parliament.

The ECHA maintains a Registry of Intentions for these proposed restrictions together with their Annex XV dossiers per the following link. This Registry also lists dossiers submitted for proposed substances of very high concern (SVHC) and for harmonized classification and labelling of CMRs, (carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic for reproduction), respiratory sensitizers and other effects (CLH).


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The Coming Challenge: New Substances of Very High Concern

On 28 October 2008, the list of the first 15 Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) was published on the official website of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).

In June 2009, the ECHA published on its website another 14 chemicals which may be added into the candidate list of SVHCs, and will be included into the list formally after public opinion solicitation. With the number of SVHCs increasing, more and more chemicals are of concern. Companies have to invest more on environmental raw materials, better quality control and safer processes. It also increases the export risks for manufacturers and retailers.

To help you take proactive measures and stay ahead of the competition, Intertek calls your attention to the following 14 substances and their possible usages as outlined in the table below.

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<td>90640-80-5</td>
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<td>Disobutyl phthalate (DIBP)</td>
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<td>84-69-5</td>
<td>Plasticizer</td>
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<td>2,4-Dinitrotoluene</td>
<td>204-450-0</td>
<td>121-14-2</td>
<td>Manufacture of explosives; polyurethane plastics; organic synthesis; dyes</td>
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<td>Residues (coal tar), pitch distn</td>
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<td>92061-94-4</td>
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<td>Coal tar pitch, high temperature</td>
<td>266-028-2</td>
<td>65996-93-2</td>
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<td>Tris (2-chloroethyl) phosphate (TCEP)</td>
<td>204-118-5</td>
<td>115-96-8</td>
<td>Flame retardant, plasticizer</td>
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<td>Arsenic and its salts</td>
<td>033-005-001</td>
<td>7440-38-2</td>
<td>Insecticide, preservatives, pigment, medical use</td>
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To help identify the presence of SVHCs in both preparations and articles, Intertek has developed methods in screening and verifying components for high risk chemicals, including the use of XRF, ICP and GC-MS techniques. The SVHC screening test provides a cost-effective alternative to demonstrating that products are in compliance with the SVHC Supply Chain Communication requirements. Intertek offers a complete REACH solution including (but not limited to):

- Training
- Testing
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- Product Assessment
- Auditing

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Australia: New Mandatory Requirements for Flotation Toys & Swimming Aids

Australia has recently published 2 new Consumer Product Safety Standards: one pertaining to swimming and flotation aids for water familiarisation and swimming tuition; and another one for flotation toys and aquatic toys.

Consumer Production Notice No. 2 of 2009 - Flotation Toys and Aquatic Toys

Flotation toys and aquatic toys which are:
- designed or clearly intended for use in play by children under 14 years of age;
- intended to bear the mass of a child in water, whether inflatable or not;
- whether or not worn or otherwise attached to the body, including but not limited to:
  - inflatable novelty shapes;
  - inflatable toy boats, which by virtue of their size and design are intended for use in shallow water;
  - unattached complete or partial rings;

but NOT including:
- beach balls;
- surfboards;
- bodyboogie boards;
- inflatable air beds;
- inflatable boats, which by virtue of their size and design are intended for use in deep water;
- kickboards.

Australian / New Zealand Standard AS/NZS ISO 8124.1:2002 Safety of toys, Part 1: Safety aspects related to mechanical and physical properties (ISO 8124-1:2000, MOD) with variations shall be used as the official method. However, the current Australian Standard AS 1900-1991 Flotation toys and swimming aids for children incorporating all variations approved can be used until 31 March 2010.

Consumer Production Notice No. 3 of 2009 – Swimming and Flotation Aids

Swimming aids and flotation aids designed for children under 14 years of age worn on or attached to the body or in which the user sits for the purpose of either enabling them to gain confidence through water familiarisation, or to assist them in acquiring unaided buoyancy through swimming tuition; including, but not limited to:
- arm bands;
- attached rings;
- swimming aid vests.

but NOT including:
- inflatable novelty shapes;
- unattached complete or partial rings;
- kickboards;
- articles designed for therapeutic use by disabled persons;
- articles, including life jackets or other personal flotation devices, which are within the scope of AS 4758 Personal flotation devices, as at the date of this notice.
Australian Standard AS 1900-2002 Flotation aids for water familiarization and swimming tuition with variations shall be used as the official method. However, the current Australian Standard AS 1900-1991 Flotation toys and swimming aids for children incorporating all variations approved by this Notice can be used until 31 March 2010.

Intertek is a leading international provider of quality and safety services to a wide range of global and local industries. Besides the capability of testing to AS 1900, Intertek is also a Notified Body for the testing of buoyancy aids. Intertek can now carry out Type Examinations for buoyancy aids and certify it.

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Upcoming Challenges to More Stringent Lead Requirements

In December 2008, Blagojevich, governor of Illinois, signed the bill SB 2860 to become Public Act 095-1019. The Act amends the “The Lead Poisoning Prevention Act” and “The Mercury-added Product Prohibition Act”.

The Illinois Lead Poisoning Prevention Act (LPQA) (410 ILCS 45/6):
Effective 1 January 2010, the sale, have, offer for sale, or transfer of certain children’s products listed below (see notes) that contain a total lead content in any component part more than 0.004% (40 ppm) but less than 0.06% (600 ppm) by total weight or a lower standard for lead content as may be established by federal, state law, or regulation will be prohibited unless the item bears a warning statement to indicate at least one component part of that item contains excessive lead.

The warning statement shall contain at least the following statement:
• WARNING: CONTAINS LEAD.
• MAY BE HARMFUL IF EATEN OR CHEWED.
• MAY GENERATE DUST CONTAINING LEAD.

The warning statement shall:
• be located in a prominent place on the item or package such that consumers are likely to see the statement when it is examined under retail conditions (i.e. on principal display panel);
• be conspicuous and not obscured by other written matter;
• be legible; and
• contrast with the typography, layout and colour of the other printed matter.

Compliance with 16 CFR 1500.121 adopted under the Federal Hazardous Substances Act constitutes compliance with the warning statement requirement.

Exemptions:
The LPQA does not apply to any component part of a consumer electronic product, including but not limited to, personal computers, audio and video equipment, calculators, wireless phones, game consoles, and handheld devices incorporating a video screen used to access interactive software and their associated peripherals that is not accessible to a child.

Notes:
“Toy containing paint” - a painted toy designed for or intended for use by children under the age of 12 at play.

“Children’s jewelry” - jewelry that is made for, marketed for use by, or marketed to children under the age of 12.

“Child care article” - an item that is designed or intended by the manufacturer to facilitate the sleep, relaxation, or feeding of children under the age of 6 or to help children under the age of 6 who are sucking or teething.
Another Coming Challenge: CPSIA Reduction in Lead Limits Effective 14 August 2009

Under the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 which was signed into law (Public Law No: 110-314) in August last year, tougher lead requirements in children’s products have been imposed. Effective 14 August 2009, the maximum concentration level permissible limits for total lead in substrates is 300 ppm and total lead in surface coating is 90 ppm respectively.

This would also affect the LPPA, reducing the gap for the warning statement requirement to between 40 and 90 ppm for surface coatings; while for substrates, between 40 and 300 ppm.

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Connecticut and Chicago Approve Ban on Bisphenol-A

Connecticut and Chicago City Council have both passed bills pertaining to the restriction of use of bisphenol-A (BPA) in certain products.

Connecticut: Public Act No. 09-103
Effective 1 October 2011, no person may sell, manufacture or distribute in the State of Connecticut:

1) Any reusable food or beverage container containing BPA; or

2) Infant formula or baby food that is stored in a plastic container, jar or can that contains BPA. However, a person may sell or distribute the existing inventory of infant formula or baby food containers, jars or cans containing BPA until 1 October 2012, provided the person can demonstrate that such containers, jars or cans were purchased or acquired prior to 1 October 2011, in a quantity comparable to the containers, jars or cans purchased or acquired during the same period of the prior year.

“Reusable food or beverage container” means a receptacle for storing food or beverages, including, but not limited to, baby bottles, spill-proof cups, sports bottles and thermoses, excluding food or beverage containers intended for disposal after initial use.

“Infant formula” means a milk-based or soy-based powder, concentrated liquid or ready-to-feed substitute for human breast milk that is intended for infant consumption and is commercially available.

“Baby food” means a prepared solid food consisting of a soft paste or an easily chewed food that is intended for consumption by children two years of age or younger and is commercially available.

Chicago: BPA-Free Kids Ordinance
According to the ordinance, on and after 31 January 2010, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, offer or expose for sale, give or furnish any empty liquid, food or beverage container which is used primarily for children under the age of three containing BPA in the city of Chicago.

Further, retailers shall post a sign in the store that clearly and conspicuously notifies customers that containers offered for sale in the store are not composed of BPA. The department of business affairs and consumer protection shall promulgate rules and regulations in order to enforce this subsection.

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Regulatory Updates in Canada

New Phthalates Regulations and Relevant Section of Hazardous Products (Toys) Regulations Amended:

The Department of Health of Canada proposed new regulations on 20 June 2009, effectively banning the import, sale, or advertisement of soft vinyl toys and child care articles containing phthalates.

The vinyl in a toy or a child care article shall not contain more than 1000 mg/kg of the following phthalates when tested in accordance with a method that conforms to good laboratory practices:
- di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP);
- dibutyl phthalate (DBP); or
- benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP).

The vinyl in any parts of a toy or a child care article that can, in a reasonably foreseeable manner, be placed in the mouth of a child under 4 years of age shall not contain more than 1000 mg/kg of the following phthalates in addition to the above when tested in accordance with a method that conforms to good laboratory practices:
- diisononyl phthalate (DINP);
- diisodecyl phthalate (DIDP); or
- di-n-octyl phthalate (DNOP).

The draft regulations are open to 75 days of public comments, after which they are to be published in final form in Canada Gazette, Part II.

Notes:
A part of a toy or a child care article is considered “can be placed in the mouth” if:

1) It can be brought to the child’s mouth and kept there so that it can be sucked or chewed; and

2) One of its dimensions is less than 5 cm (if a part of a toy or a child care article is inflatable, its dimensions shall be determined in its deflated state).

Consumer Products Containing Lead (Contact with Mouth) Regulations Proposed:

The Department of Health of Canada also proposed regulatory amendments to further reduce allowable lead limits in consumer products. The following consumer products containing more than 90mg/kg lead will be prohibited:

1) Products, other than kitchen utensils, that are brought into contact with the user’s mouth in the course of normal use; and

2) Products, in respect of which it is reasonably foreseeable, based on their nature, that they would be brought into contact with the mouth of children under 3 years of age in the course of learning or playing.

The proposed lead limit shall apply to all accessible surface coatings and substrates. The draft regulations are open to 75 days of public comments, after which they are to be published in final form in Canada Gazette, Part II.

Exemptions:
- Jewelry referred to section 42 of Part I of Schedule I to the Hazardous Products Act; and
- Products subject to the application of the Hazardous Products (Glazed Ceramics and Glassware) Regulations.

Proposal to Include Bisphenol-A into the Hazardous Products Act:

Canada proposes that the Hazardous Products Act be amended to include polycarbonate baby bottles that contain bisphenol-A, thus prohibiting the advertisement, sale, and importation of these products.

According to the proposal, adding the following item after item 15 amends Part I of Schedule I to the Hazardous Products Act:
16. Polycarbonate baby bottles that contain 4,4’-isopropylidenediphenol (bisphenol A).

Amendment on Glazed Ceramics and Glassware Regulations:

The Hazardous Products (Glazed Ceramics and
Glassware) Regulations have been amended to clearly define the scope of product that replaces the French title. According to the amendment, “product” means a product that has all of the following characteristics:

- It is completely or partly made of ceramic or glass;
- It is completely or partly covered with a coating, glaze or decoration that contains lead or cadmium; and
- It is used in storing, preparing or serving food, as defined in section 2 of the Food and Drugs Act.

New French title becomes:
RÈGLEMENT SUR LES PRODUITS CÉRAMIQUES ÉMAILLÉS ET LES PRODUITS DE VERRE ÉMAILLÉS

Amendment on Expansion Gates and Expandable Enclosures Regulations:
Hazardous Products (Expansion Gates and Expandable Enclosures) Regulations have been amended to redefine the terms of “indelibly printed” & “permanently affixed” and required the labelling and instructions to be displayed in both English and French in the following manner:

- The headings “WARNING” and “MISE EN GARDE” must be in upper-case block letters at least 5mm in height; and
- The text of the warning must be in numerals and letters at least 2.5 mm in height.

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Canada Approves Corded Window Covering Products Regulations

With regards to the submission of a proposal of “Corded Window Covering Products Regulations” by the Department of Health of Canada, this regulation has been approved recently. It was proposed in 2007 with the intention of protecting children against strangulation hazards posed by interior window covering that incorporates a bead chain, cord or any type of flexible looped device in its operation.

The Challenge:
According to the regulations, with immediate effect, corded window covering products advertised, sold or imported into Canada must meet the safety and labelling requirements as stated in the national standard CAN/CSA-Z600 “Safety of Corded Window Covering Products”, as amended. However, the regulated product shall not make any reference to the Act or Regulations on its label or in any advertisement. In addition, importers or manufacturers must keep records to demonstrate compliance, for a period of not less than three years after the date of manufacture in Canada or the date of importation of the product.

Notes:
On a side note, a research done by the Parents for Window Blind Safety has revealed that a child dies every 2 weeks from strangulation on corded window treatments, the oldest being 12 years of age. Corded window treatments include (but not limited to), window blinds, mini blinds, venetian blinds, roman shades, cellular shades, corded roll up shades and vertical blinds.

According to statistics, over 768* children have died from corded window treatments since 1973.


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Intertek Opens New Furniture Testing Laboratory in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

In response to ever increasing local and global consumer demand for high quality furniture from Asia Pacific, Intertek, a leading provider in quality and safety services worldwide, opened a new state-of-the-art furniture (Hardlines) laboratory in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam in July 2009.

Different tests, assessment and inspection services are necessary to evaluate the physical characteristics, construction properties, performance and labelling of furniture in accordance with the standards such as ASTM, ANSI, BIFMA, BS, EN and ISO standards. Intertek’s Ho Chi Minh City laboratory is able to provide these services and more with the aid of analytical and reporting systems that provide the most accurate and timely data with the expertise and professionalism of our staff.

Intertek evaluates the performance of furniture like chairs, stools, high chairs, beds, tables, sofas, shelves, and children’s furniture by executing a variety of performance testing which include Strength Tests, Stability Tests, Back-pull, Base and Impact Durability Test (Chair), as well as Seat-back Fatigue Test (Chair).

Intertek is also able to conduct flammability testing of furniture to demonstrate its resistance to fire in accordance with international standards. Some of the flammability tests Intertek can perform include Cigarette Tests, Match Tests, Ignition Resistance Test, Flaming and Smoldering Screening Test.

Material used in producing furniture and furniture components are often made of a combination of various materials. Intertek can conduct the chemical and physical tests needed to test the content of hazardous substances and moisture in furniture that are harmful to humans and to test its durability. Those chemical and physical tests include:

- Formaldehyde Content
- Pentachlorophenol (PCP)
- Total Lead Content (Pb)
- Moisture Content (Wood)
- Mold Count
- Colourfastness
- Tear Strength
- Abrasion Resistance

Intertek understands the importance of having a local service provider. With over 24,000 employees in 1,000 laboratories and offices in over 100 countries and growing, Intertek is available to you where you need us most.

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Intertek Cooperates with China Certification Center for Quality Mark (CQM) Zhejiang Branch on the Food Certification Program

On 7 April 2009, Intertek signed a memorandum with the China Certification Center (CQM) Zhejiang branch, which was formally established the strategic cooperative relationship on the Food Certification Program.
Approved by the former China State Bureau of Technical Supervision (CSBTS) in September 1991, CQM is a comprehensive certification body which simultaneously provides certification, training and other conformity assessment activities. The CQM Zhejiang Branch is a professional auditing and training institution, is also a part of the Zhejiang Bureau of Quality and Technical Supervision. Some of the services include food quality and safety-related certification, food safety management system certification, and more.

The cooperation between Intertek and CQM Zhejiang branch expands the service scope and ability in the field of food certification services. This results in convenient and comprehensive services meeting our clients’ various requirements for the food safety and quality certification.

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Intertek Extends Notified Body Status on Clothing to Include High Visibility and Anti-static

Intertek Labtest UK Ltd Leicester is pleased to announce that they have extended their Notified Body status to include High Visibility Clothing and Accessories and Anti-static clothing.

The primary role of a Notified Body is to provide services for conformity assessment on the conditions set out in the New Approach Directives in support of CE Marking.

The extension of the scope compliments our current accredited status for clothing to include:

**High Visibility Clothing & Accessories**
EN 471:2003 + A1:2007 High Visibility warning clothing for Professional use – Test Methods and requirements
EN 1150:1999 Protective clothing – Visibility clothing for non-professional use – Test methods and requirements
EN 13356:2001 Visibility accessories for non-professional use – Test Methods and requirements

**Anti-static Properties**
EN 1149-5:2008 Protective clothing – Electrostatic properties

**Protective Clothing Against Chemical, Mechanical, Thermal, and Flame Risks**
EN 13034:2005 Protective clothing against liquid chemicals – Performance requirements for chemical protective clothing offering limited protective performance against liquid chemicals (Type 6 and Type PB [6] equipment.)
EN ISO 11611:2007 Protective clothing for use in welding and allied processes
EN ISO 11612:2008 Protective clothing – Clothing to protect against heat and flame
EN ISO 14116:2008 Protective clothing – Protection against heat and flame – Limited flame spread materials, material assemblies, and clothing

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The environment is the supplier of the natural resources we need for production and consumption. Coming into the 21st century, the environment included water resource, soil, gas emission and warm room effect which became crucial for the development of mankind.

To meet the trend of globalization, countries around the world take more efforts in developing laws and regulations, as well as environment protection. In business sector, more buyers are concerned about the environmental risks in their supply chain, and more brands plan to implement environmental auditing to improve their competitive edge.

Under the challenges of various local environmental regulations, manufacturing and service sectors have realized that environment auditing can help them improve daily management and enhance their ability to prevent or control the influence of environmental factors. Eventually economic benefits will improve through optimization of environmental practices.

Intertek Group has been dedicated to the development of environmental auditing service in China, providing total solutions by tapping Intertek’s global resources and local expertise.

Intertek environment auditing service assesses the factory and the process through environmental system document review. Regulations compliance audit and issues audit report are based on China’s national environmental laws and regulations. It helps suppliers to voluntarily demonstrate their environmental performance and eventually improve their environmental practices.

Intertek environment auditing service benefits the company by widely acknowledged and single audits, eliminating the trouble of multiple audits and reducing non-conformities with the environmental requirements. It helps to optimize a company’s internal environmental management and enhance competitiveness.

In April 2009, Intertek Group held an Environment Auditing Awareness Seminar in Shenzhen giving insights and analysis on the environmental issues of China. The Intertek expert offered suggestions for companies on how to implement compliance measures and auditing procedures.

The seminar was highly applauded by the participants. They thought it was very informative and it helped them understand correct environmental issues which are important for the sustainable development of the company.

In the second half of 2009, Intertek is going to hold a series of environmental auditing seminars in Shenzhen, Zhongshan, etc. as well as related training programs to provide more value added services to our clients.

Intertek Cooperates with “China High End Retail 2009” Helping You to Win in China Market

The “China High End Retail 2009” was held at the InterContinental Hotel of Shanghai on 26-27 May 2009. The forum focused on helping high-end brands and retailers succeed in grasping opportunities within the China market.
There were over 100 guests and representatives in attendance. Intertek, invited as the only provider of quality and safety solutions, actively participated in this forum as a sponsor.

Mr. Stone Gong from Intertek’s China Domestic Market Services (CDMS) delivered a speech entitled “How can oversea brands enter into China market smoothly – Quality & Standard”. He presented an in-depth analysis on the barriers of quality inspection and testing standards needed to be faced when overseas products enter into the China market.

Afterwards, Mr. Stone Gong was invited to attend the Panel Discussion to further explain this topic which generated interest among all the participants. In addition, Intertek exhibited in a booth and answered questions about quality standard issues of the China market and won high praises from the participants.

Intertek’s CDMS focuses on business development in the China market. No matter if you are a retailer or brand holder, dealing with a single product or more, Intertek’s CDMS can provide you with one-stop-shop quality service. We add value to your products and process, supporting your success in the China market!

For more details about the forum, please visit http://www.chinahiendretail.com/.

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REACH Seminar and Workshop Co-organized by Intertek and TISI

Intertek Consumers Goods (Thailand) and Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), joined together to support Thai exporters and manufacturers by arranging a 1-day REACH Seminar & Workshop. The co-project ran 3 times throughout May and July 2009.

The Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) is a European Regulation that entered into force 1 June 2007. The aim of REACH is to improve the protection of human health and the environment while maintaining the competitiveness and innovative capability of the EU chemical industry. The REACH Regulation gives greater responsibility to the industry and manages the risks from chemicals to provide safety information on the substances.

TISI is dedicated to help Thai industries on REACH training because they realize the adverse impacts to Thai manufacturers being the supply chain of European buyers. European buyers require chemical information of products from Thai manufacturers. In the past couple of years TISI has arranged several REACH seminars and are still interested in co-arranging a seminar with Intertek. Intertek offers workshops that target specific industries such as:

- Toys, baby products and paint scheduled on 22 May 2009
- Tableware products scheduled on 16 July 2009
- Electronic & Electrical, automotive, and packaging scheduled on 23 July 2009
TISI fully supports the budget for this event. The first seminar was held on 22 May 2009 at the Bangkok, Chaophya Park Hotel. There were around 120 participants at the seminar. There were three main speakers who presented and shared their knowledge and experiences starting with:

- Mr. Chaiyat Tangkrock-olan: Senior Standards Officer, Chief of MRA Negotiation Group International Affairs Bureau - Thai Industrial Standards Institute
- Ms. Phanit Hitapong: Division Manager; Toys & Hardlines Division – Intertek Testing Services (Thailand) Ltd.
- Mr. Peerapat Anutjarawat: Chemical Supervisor; Toys & Hardlines Division – Intertek Testing Services (Thailand) Ltd.

Participant feedback was positive as most went away with a better understanding of the requirements and feel more confident to implement their knowledge into their organization.

**Intertek Joined World Halal Forum 2009**

For the fourth consecutive time Intertek has participated the World Halal Forum held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. This year, the World Halal Forum (WHF) 2009 – themed “Achieving Global Halal Integrity” was organized by KasehDia and hosted by IHI Alliance. The event took place 4 - 5 May 2009 at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Center, situated in the heart of the city.

Since 2006, the WHF has provided the platform for issues, concerns and business updates relevant to the Halal industry development. Succeeding from its prior events, WHF 2009 focused on topics of understanding more in depth Halal business and international Halal accreditation and certification. These main topics were split into two parallel streams: the main stream continued to focus on the business of Halal and the second stream covered Standards, on the introduction of Global Halal Standard. Global Halal Standard is developed by the IHI Alliance, which is endorsed by the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) through the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI).

As part of the introduction of the Global Halal Standard, Intertek announced the latest service under Intertek’s system certification - the IHIA Global Halal Certification. IHIA’s Global Halal Certification uses a standard adopted from GHMS (Global Halal Management System).

This year Intertek’s booth was also joined by three other governments and Islamic bodies from the Philippines, Vietnam and Cambodia; the OMA (Office on Muslim Affairs) in the Philippines, the Ministry of Commerce in Cambodia and the Islamic Community of Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam. These three
governmental bodies are mutual partners of Intertek with services geared towards product quality, safety and Halal assurance.

There were more than 1,000 visitors and participants in WHF 2009 some of those coming from industries and backgrounds such as Nestle, Friesland Foods, Office of Agricultural Affairs (under USDA) from the US Embassy in Malaysia, Turkish Accreditation Agency, local food and beverage manufacturers in Malaysia and many more.

Five Intertek offices were represented in WHF 2009. These included Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam, accompanied by Intertek APAC Regional Director, Michael Ong and Intertek Food Services President, Dr. Jochen P. Zoller from Intertek Germany. On the second day, Dr. Zoller gave a presentation on, “Managing Liability on Product Quality and Safety under the Global Economic Turbulence.” In this presentation he talked about food safety issues, in regards to the economic crisis, and how this matter could be integrated into a companywide crisis management plan. Without an effective product liability management system the company is at risk of producing contaminated and defected goods which could lead to product recall, litigation claims and loss of public image and market share. He also mentioned some approaches to resolving the issue on food safety risks, through Intertek’s risk analysis and management (RAM) services, as well as Intertek’s new system certification program - the IHIA Global Halal Certification.

Nearly 3,000 kinds of souvenirs were on display which attracted many retailers’ attention. Mr. Chen Xianjin, Deputy Director General of the Bureau of Shanghai World Expo Coordination, delivered a speech at the opening ceremony.

As the appointed quality partner of Sinnsa, the senior sponsor of 2010 EXPO Shanghai, Intertek was invited to attend this fair. Many licensed suppliers and buyers visited Intertek’s booth which resulted in consultation about the related standards, testing requirements and more Intertek mentioned that as a quality partner of Sinnsa, it has carried out all tests for each kind of product in accordance to the related national standards and Sinnsa’s quality requirements. Intertek assesses the quality risks of a product and develops testing schemes. Upon Sinnsa’s approval, the scheme will become the standard and basis for Intertek to conduct quality monitoring on the licensed products. In addition, Intertek will provide all-around quality and safety services for the World EXPO licensed products and licensed suppliers authorized by Sinnsa.

As a leading international provider of quality and safety services, Intertek builds its reputation through its professional service, abundant experience and customer-focus tenet. Intertek’s expertise provide the opportunity to assist Sinnsa and the licensed suppliers to meet quality requirements of the World Expo.

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Intertek UK Exhibits at DVD

DVD is one of the most important events in the defence diary for those involved in the equipment and support for the UK’s Armed Forces. Held 24-25 June 2009 at Millbrook Proving Ground, Bedfordshire, it was organised by DE&S (Defence Equipment and Support’s), which is the part of the Ministry Of Defence (MOD) responsible for equipping and supporting the United Kingdom's Armed Forces for current and future operations.

Exhibiting in the spirit of Intertek as One, Intertek’s divisions worked together to present Intertek’s services to the visitors and exhibitors at DVD. Maxi Brown, Technical Manager for Textiles, Intertek Consumer Goods, and Beena Tanna, Business Projects Manager of Intertek Commercial & Electrical spearheaded the project to target the military and defence sector. Other key colleagues of each division joined them and altogether they represented Intertek to the many visitors throughout the two day show.

DVD is DE&S’s annual stakeholder event for the Land Equipment, Joint Support Chain and Air Commodities communities. DVD brings together the acquisition community with military personnel and industry organisations for two days of informal discussion and briefings.

Intertek Pakistan Exhibited at Textile Asia 2009

Intertek Pakistan exhibited at the 2009 Textile Asia International Exhibition, the largest and most successful event of its kind in the region. The 6th International Textile & Garment Machinery Show was held on 5-8 April 2009 at Karachi Expo Centre in Pakistan. 42 foreign exhibitors and 59 local exhibitors participated at the event. More than 27,000 local & foreign visitors attended this event.

At the Intertek Pakistan booth attendees were informed about Textile Testing laboratory capabilities and Inspection and Audit services. Also they were provided updated information regarding new regulations like CPSIA, lead and phthalates requirements and informative brochures related to their industries.

If you would like more information about the services Intertek provides to the defence industry, please contact Maxi Brown at i.tex@intertek.com.
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Abbreviations:

CNR IFCC = CNR International Fair and Convention Centre
EC = Expo Centre
HAT = Halle Aux Tâlès
HKCEC = Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre
IA, ECCMTT = Impact Exhibition and Convention Centre Muang Thong Thani
KM = Koeln Messe
LVCC = Las Vegas Convention Centre
PDV = Porte De Versailles
SEC = Shanghai Exhibition Centre
SNEC = Shanghai New International Expo Centre
TVTCC = Taipei World Trade Centre Exhibition Hall 1
TIC = Telford International Centre

Remark: The exhibitions listed above are depended on what we have on hand before publishing. Therefore, Intertek is not responsible for any errors or changes occurred.

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