

# Veolia North America - Industrial Business

## September, 2021

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*There are no Transportation Updates for September 2021*

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*There are no Health & Safety Updates for September 2021*

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## A. Parent Company Definition for Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Reporting; Proposed Rule

### Agency

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

### Dates

Published Date: 09/28/2021

Comments Due: 11/29/2021

### Summary

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has published a proposed rule that, if finalized, would codify the definition of “parent company” for purposes of reporting to the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI). The EPA believes that codifying the definition of parent company would reduce the reporting burden caused by regulatory uncertainty regarding complicated corporate ownership structures. This proposed rule would also add a foreign parent company data element, if applicable.

EPA is proposing to codify that the “parent company” for TRI reporting purposes is the highest-level company with the largest ownership interest in the TRI facility as of December 31 of the reporting year. This proposal addresses the following ownership scenarios:

- A facility is owned by a single company, which is not owned by another company;
- A facility is owned by a single company, which is owned by another company;
- A facility is owned by multiple companies, including companies that are themselves owned by other entities;
- A facility is owned by a joint venture or cooperative;
- A facility is owned, at least in part, by a foreign company; and
- A facility is owned by the federal government, or a state, tribal, or municipal government.

The EPA is specifically requesting comments for how to address the following concerns. The EPA is considering adding a new data element to the reporting form to identify the proper foreign parent company, if any. The EPA is considering the following three options:

1. Option 1: Parent company definition would be codified and included in the Reporting Forms and Instructions (RFI). The reporting regulations would only require reporting the highest-level U.S.-based parent company in the current data element under Part I, Section 5.1.
2. Option 2: Codified parent company definition would be similar to that proposed in this document, plus EPA would include instructions for how to report a foreign parent company in Part I, Section 5.1 instead of the highest-level U.S.-based parent company when applicable. No additional data element would be added to the reporting form.

3. Option 3: Codified parent company definition identical to that proposed in this document, including reporting both the highest-level U.S.-based parent company and highest-level foreign parent company, and add a new data element to Part I, Section 5 of the reporting forms for reporting the name of a foreign company and its D–U–N–S number, in addition to reporting the highest-level U.S.-based parent company, when applicable.

## Reference/Link

The link below will allow you to view/print this Proposed Rulemaking.

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-09-28/pdf/2021-20965.pdf>

## **B. Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System (e-Manifest); Notice of Virtual Public Meetings**

### Agency

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

### Dates

Published Date: 09/30/2021

Virtual Meeting Dates: 10/27/2021 and 11/3/2021 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm EST

### Summary

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will host two virtual public meetings to discuss how to increase adoption of the electronic manifest system and solicit feedback from stakeholders. Since system inception through August 31, 2021, EPA has received roughly eighteen thousand electronic manifests (both fully electronic and hybrid manifests) out of a total of approximately six million manifests. Electronic manifests thus represent less than a half of a percent of manifests received by EPA. The meeting agendas will be identical for the two dates, and the EPA encourages all stakeholders to attend one of the meetings.

Registration is required to attend and participate during these meetings. EPA can accommodate 100 attendees at each meeting and may hold additional virtual meetings, if needed. Please refer to the e-Manifest website at <https://www.epa.gov/e-manifest/electronicmanifest-public-meetings> for information on how to register.

Oral comments will be accepted throughout the meetings. Written comments must be submitted on or before 12/30/2021.

## Reference/Link

The link below will allow you to view/print this Notice of Virtual Public Meetings.

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-09-30/pdf/2021-21231.pdf>

### **C. Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Methiopropamine in Schedule I; Notice of Proposed Rulemaking**

#### Agency

Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

#### Dates

Published Date: 09/02/2021

Comments Due: 10/04/2021

#### Summary

The Drug Enforcement Administration proposes placing N-methyl-1-(thiophen-2-yl)propan-2-amine (methiopropamine), including its salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, in schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act. This action is being taken to enable the United States to meet its obligations under the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances. If finalized, this action would impose the regulatory controls and administrative, civil, and criminal sanctions applicable to schedule I controlled substances on persons who handle (manufacture, distribute, reverse distribute, import, export, engage in research, conduct instructional activities or chemical analysis, or possess) or propose to handle methiopropamine.

## Reference/Link

The link below will allow you to view/print this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-09-02/pdf/2021-18843.pdf>