

**EXTENSION OF DEADLINE: PUBLIC COMMENT ON REGULATORY
REFORM PROPOSAL FOR HARD SURFACE DISINFECTANTS
EXTENDED TO 12 FEBRUARY 2010**

In early November 2009, the TGA and NICNAS published a consultation Regulatory Impact Statement together with a survey seeking to obtain further data which will allow an analysis of the impact on stakeholders of proposed changes to the regulation of hard surface disinfectants.

The release of the paper was followed by public consultation sessions in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne in the week of 16 November 2009. Comments from these discussions will be published shortly to assist stakeholders to provide feedback on the proposals. NICNAS is also inviting interested individuals/groups who could not make these consultations to contact us to organise one-on-one or group consultations by teleconference.

The consultation Regulatory Impact Statement together with the survey can be downloaded from the NICNAS or TGA websites at http://www.nicnas.gov.au/Current_Issues/Disinfectants/Consultation_Disinfectants.asp and <http://www.tga.gov.au/othertg/disinfectants/ris-disinfectants-reg0911.htm> or requested from:

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The survey can be submitted electronically from the websites or downloaded and returned by e-mail.

Several stakeholders have commented that the consultation period is too short and NICNAS has received a request to extend the original deadline for comment. In response NICNAS and the TGA have extended the deadline to 5pm, Friday 12 February 2010.

All submissions will be placed on the NICNAS's website. For submissions made by individuals, all personal details other than your name will be removed from your submission before it is published on the NICNAS website. Confidential material contained within submissions should be clearly marked. Reasons for a claim to confidentiality must be included in the submission coversheet. Where possible confidential material will be redacted from information published on the NICNAS website.

Participation in this consultation is entirely voluntary, and we thank you for your time and effort.