# Sustainable "Chemicals" Policy

Zach Freeze Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

**WAL\*MART®** 

Save money. Live better.

### 2005: "21st Century Leadership"



Be supplied 100% by renewable energy



Create zero waste



Sell products that sustain our resources and environment

#### Today's Sustainable Value Networks







- 1. Greenhouse Gas
- 2. Global Logistics
- 3. Sustainable Buildings
- 4. Alternative Fuels
- 5. Waste
- 6. Packaging
- 7. Textiles
- 8. Electronics
- 9. Agriculture and Seafood
- 10. Jewelry
- 11. Chemicals
- 12. Wood and Paper
- 13. China

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#### **Wal-Mart Footprint**

Energy



Packaging



Agriculture



Chemicals



Direct = 8%

Indirect = 92%



Transportation



**Facilities** 



Marine



Greenhouse Gas
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### **Chemical Intensive Products SVN**

#### Mission

•Provide to our customers affordable and effective products in which all chemicals are evaluated for potential health and environmental impacts delivered in the most efficient and effective way

#### Scope

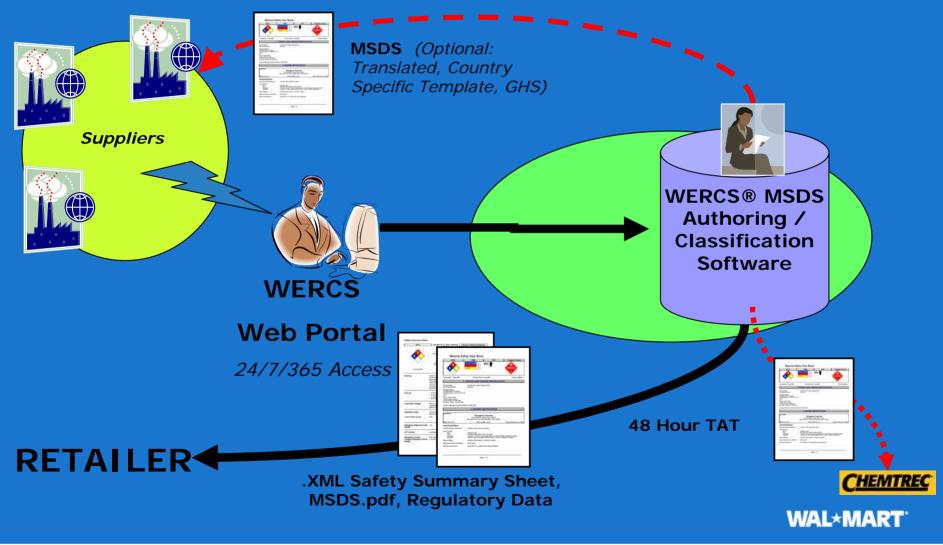
•Products we sell or use that are composed of chemical ingredients and could potentially adversely affect human health and the environment.

## "Chemical" Management

- Third Party (The WERCS) Provides a consistent source for:
  - MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet)
  - Safety Summary Sheets
  - Transportation Information
  - Waste Handling
  - Regulatory Information for Compliance
- Wal-Mart Specific information Supplier Number and Buyer Information
- Formulation Information
  - Chemical Names
  - CAS #s
  - % Ranges
     (for potentially hazardous materials and products with VOC)



# Managing the products in Wal-Mart's Supply Chain The WERCS Process



## **CIP Original Strategy**

- 2006 Elimination of Chemicals from our Products
  - Permethrin
  - Propoxur
  - Nonylphenol Ethoxylates

Although we have removed or established timelines for the removal of these chemicals, our strategy has shifted.

Going Forward we will focus on Continuous Improvement vs. 100% Elimination



### **Focus: Continuous Improvement**

Informed Substitution: Make our goals transparent and achievable while rewarding those suppliers who can change the game!

When certain characteristics or chemicals apply to products, the question must be raised

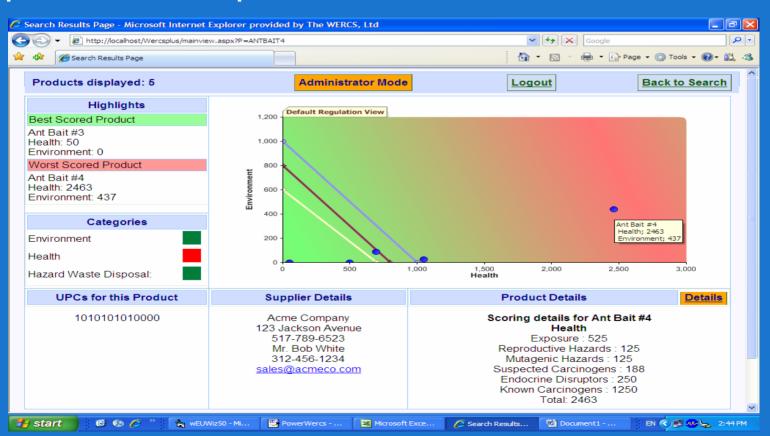
Can we re-formulate this product to make it less hazardous while keeping cost of goods, lifecycle costs, and efficacy in mind?

HOW? Provide a tool to the suppliers and buyers of these products at minimal cost



## Chemical "Screening Tool"

Provides our buyers and suppliers a fully-transparent tool designed to help evaluate chemicals used in products; potentially reducing products that could pose environmental and/or health hazards.



# Configurable Weighting

Weighting of areas or groups of lists can be done specific to product category for accurate screening

Goals can be established for progress tracking and improvements





# Actions to Green Chemical Inventories

#### Aim for the Top

Prefer chemical products that are fully assessed and that have low hazard and lifecycle benefits

#### **Practice Informed Substitution**

Process of continual improvement; toward more data and better understanding of what is green and sustainable

#### **Bring up the Bottom**

Screen all chemicals against criteria for adverse impacts to human health and the environment to move away from the use of the most hazardous chemicals



#### **Concentrated Detergent**

- 400 million gallons of water saved
- 95 million pounds of plastic resin saved
- Fewer Trucks on the road
- Reduced Out-of-Stocks
- Customer-Friendly



### Clorox green works line

- Eco-friendly, plant and mineral based products
- Powerful natural cleaners that work as well as conventional cleaners
- Products are not tested on animals



Keep moving forward with providing success stories of our products;

"Tilting the Floor"

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