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## **Renewed Chemicals Management Plan Protects Canadians**

**Ottawa** - The Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association (CCSPA) says the federal government's move today to renew the Chemicals Management Plan (CMP) will ensure the protection of Canadians' health and safety, and the environment.

The CMP is a world-leading, comprehensive approach to substance management. Announced originally in 2006, the plan has built upon the rigorous, science-based regulatory regime currently in place, and CCSPA says Canadian consumers are well served by the program and its results to date.

"We see this plan as a continuation of Canada's world-leading initiatives in this area," says Shannon Coombs, President, CCSPA, "and we will continue to work proactively with the government as the plan is implemented. Key factors for our industry are that the program continues to be based on sound science, due process and effective communications to Canadians. To date, the program has delivered these essential elements, and we have the same expectation going forward."

The CCSPA says Canadians can feel confident that regulated ingredients and products are safe when used according to the products' directions and added that various Canadian laws and regulations govern all substances, products and their labelling.

"As we move forward and work with the government on this important plan, we are confident Canada will continue to use the best science available and that all stakeholders will continue to collaborate to further protect Canadians and our environment," Coombs says.

Further information can be found at the following website: [www.healthycleaning101.org](http://www.healthycleaning101.org)

**About Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association** ([www.ccspace.org](http://www.ccspace.org)): CCSPA is a national trade association that represents 45 member companies across Canada, collectively a \$20 billion industry directly employing 12,000 people in over 120 facilities. Our companies manufacture, process, package and distribute consumer, industrial and institutional specialty products such as soaps and detergents, pest control products, aerosols, hard surface disinfectants, deodorizers and automotive chemicals.

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