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Supplier Partner,

Beginning in March of 2013, The Home Depot's Item Data Management System will no longer be the system of record for your hazardous materials item data. All products sold to The Home Depot containing potentially hazardous materials will require registration within The WERCSmart Retail Portal. A link to the WERCSmart Retail Portal will be provided within The Home Depot's Item Data Management System when applicable.

In preparation for this change, we ask that you create a WERCSmart Retail Portal account for your company as soon as possible. The attached PDF contains webinar registration links for WERCSmart administrator and user training. Please ensure you register for and attend one of the offered training webinars.

You will not be able to onboard items containing potentially hazardous materials into The Home Depot's Item Data Management System without a WERCSmart Retail Portal account beginning in March 2013.

Action Items:

1. Register for WERCSmart administrator and user training (PDF attached)
2. Activate WERCSmart Retail Portal vendor account for your company

Additional vendor training in regards to the changes within the Item Data Management System will be provided in the coming the months.

Thank you for your partnership and support of this initiative.

Regards,

The *Item Data Management* Team