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Biocides in Canada - Celebrating a Milestone

June 5, 2025 - Ottawa – This week, the Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association and our members celebrate a significant milestone as the *Biocides Regulations* are implemented. After considerable engagement between Health Canada and stakeholders, these modern and innovative regulations have come into force.

The new framework for disinfectants and sanitizers applies key learnings from global events, including the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting weakened supply chains. This regulation responds to those learnings by providing Canadians a framework that:

- Increases product availability, innovation, and promotion of a competitive marketplace,
- Strengthens collaboration with reliable trading partners,
- Advances regulatory modernization and agility, and
- Compliments the new Government of Canada's mandate to increase productivity and build the "strongest economy in the G7".

The development of these regulations has been a collaboration with policy makers across Government and industry. As we collectively navigate the full implementation of the regulations this year, we welcome the continued dialogue with Government on resourcing and operational readiness to meet the Government's goals outlined in the mandate letter. As one of the first regulations to come into force under Prime Minister Carney's government, this framework signals a continued commitment to agile regulation making in Canada.

"Canada is leading the way by enabling the regulatory system to be responsive, flexible, and science-based for these effective and beneficial products. To all the Parliamentarians and many people within Government who contributed to this framework over the last four years, and for the leadership of Health Canada, many thanks." Shannon Coombs, President, CCSPA.

CCSPA is a national trade association that represents 42 member companies in 84 facilities across Canada. 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. We are a \$5.5 billion industry directly employing over 8,000 people, with annual exports of \$2 billion. CCSPA also provides a one-stop source of information for Canadians about our products and their benefits – at https://healthycleaning101.org/.

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