



## OTHER NEWS:

Stepan has 3 greener formulations:  
#1089, #1090 and #1091.

Drum stock available:  
**STEPANTEX® SP90**  
**STEPANOL® DCFAS-N**

**BTC® 8248** status has changed to made-to-order.

**STEPANOL® LCLP** has been discontinued.

Stepan has discontinued **NINOL® COMF**. **NINOL® COMF-N**, a neutralized version, is now available.

## Stepan Launches BCI Guide

Stepan has developed a Biorenewable Carbon Index (termed the "BCI"). It is an easy-to-reference product guide that contains physical and environmental data including, but not limited to, biorenewable carbon content, biodegradation and VOC on Stepan's surfactant and solvent products. The BCI is a list of those products that are derived from >50% biorenewable carbon and is organized by two markets: Personal Care (PC) and Household, Industrial and Institutional (HI&I). A copy of our web-interactive guide may be found at [www.stepan.com](http://www.stepan.com). Questions may be directed to [bc@stepan.com](mailto:bc@stepan.com).



## Stepan is Active with CleanGredients® Listings

In continued support of our customers, Stepan has listed three additional surfactants on [www.cleangredients.org](http://www.cleangredients.org) during first quarter 2009. These products include: **BIO-TERGE® PAS-8S**, an acid/alkaline and bleach stable hydrotropic surfactant, **STEPANOL® WA-EXTRA K** and **STEPANOL® WA-EXTRA PCK**, Kathon CG-preserved Sodium lauryl sulfate, and **STEPANTEX® SP90** and **STEPANTEX® VT-90**, fabric softener quats.

For a current listing, go to: <http://www.stepan.com/en/contact/links.asp>

## Biocide News

### Upgraded Label Claims to Stepan Disinfectant Wipe (EPA Reg. No. 1839-190)

Stepan has completed testing and the U.S. EPA has approved the following new antibiotic-resistant bacterial and virucidal claims for EPA Reg. No. 1839-190: MRSA, CA MRSA (USA 300 and 400 strains), VISA (Vancomycin Intermediate Resistance Staph Aureus), VRE (Vancomycin Resistant Enterococcus) and HIV (AIDS virus).

### New Active (BTC® 1210-80%) and Two New End-Use Formulations

BTC® 1210-80% is a high active, fifth generation, broad spectrum ADBAC/DDAC blend. Two new formulations based on BTC® 1210-80% are available for end-use sites such as hospitals, food processing, restaurants, dairies and bars. These are currently under review in California.

\*BTC® 1210-10% Solution (EPA Reg. No. 1839-217)

\*BTC® 1210-7.5% Solution (EPA Reg. No. 1839-218)

If you would like a product label, contact [techserv@stepan.com](mailto:techserv@stepan.com).

# Industry/Government News

## DfE Releases Draft Fragrances Screen

The U.S. EPA has finalized the DfE draft screen for fragrances and will soon release the CleanGredients® fragrances beta module. At that time, fragrance companies may begin submitting fragrance palettes for listing.

## New DfE General Screen for Safer Ingredients Released

The DfE Formulator Program has developed a general screen that will be used to review all product ingredients (and their components) for anything that does not have a customized screen.

## New Third-Party Reviewer Approved

ToxServices LLC has been approved as a third party reviewer for the U.S. EPA's DfE Program, but is not an approved reviewer for surfactant ingredient listing on CleanGredients®. This will help expedite review and the approval of finished DfE formulations.

## U.S. EPA DfE Surfactant Screen for Direct Release Products

DfE will begin to screen products that are intended for outdoor-use. These products, such as boat cleaners and graffiti removers, are likely to bypass sewage treatment, thus shortening the time for degradation prior to entering sensitive environments. DfE has raised the bar from its standard surfactant screen to address the potential for immediate contact with aquatic life. Any ingredients (including surfactants, preservatives, solvents, etc.) that have aquatic toxicity values <1 mg/L will not be allowed in DfE-recognized direct release products.

For more information, look under the "News Archive" section at <http://www.cleangredients.org/>.

# Other News

## Stepan's BIO-SOFT® EC-Series

In December 2008, Chemidex highlighted Stepan's BIO-SOFT® EC-series, natural alcohol ethoxylates. These products are naturally-derived, readily biodegradable, low in odor and are ideal candidates as potential replacements for NPEs (Nonylphenol ethoxylates). These products exhibit excellent detergency, wetting and emulsification properties in various hard surface and laundry applications. The new BIO-SOFT® EC-Series Sales Tool can be accessed from the Stepan Website or by contacting Stepan's Technical Services Department.

**Stepan Tips—Did you know?** Stepan's AMMONYX® LMDO, AMPHOSOL® CA, ALPHA-STEP® PC-48, STEPANOL® WA-EXTRA PCK, STEPANOL® WA-EXTRA K, STEPANTEX® SP90, STEPANTEX® VT-90 and BIO-SOFT® EC-690 are all made from biorenewable feedstocks and are listed on CleanGredients®.

# Coming Soon!

Stepan to launch: \*Environmentally-Friendly Solvents Tool, April 2009  
\*Nonionic Tool, April/May 2009

Stepan will be attending the following trade shows:

- \*CSPA's Mid-Year Meeting in Chicago, May 5-9, 2009
- \*ISSA Interclean Show in Chicago, October 6-9, 2009

Please contact your Stepan Sales Representative if you would like to schedule a meeting with a member from Stepan's Hard Surface Care Team.



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