

**Major Administrative Actions of the Toxic and Chemical
Substances Bureau, Environmental Protection Administration,
Executive Yuan, in May 2023**

1. On May 9, 17 and 24, in order to prepare the "Draft of the Action Plan for the Management of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)," Director General Hsieh Yein-Rui of the Toxic and Chemical Substances Bureau presided over expert consultation meetings with academia (one session), industry (one session) and an inter-departmental discussion meeting (one session). Among the attendees, Chairman Chen Longji of the Environmental Sustainable Development Foundation was specially invited to co-chair the academic and industry expert consultation meeting. A total of 7 academics, 10 industry experts, and 30 organizations were invited to discuss the management and division of labor regarding PFAS in Taiwan.
2. On May 26, the joint awards ceremony and the achievements presentation conference for the "3rd Green Chemistry Application and Innovation Award", the "3rd College Green Chemistry Creative Competition" and the "2022 Senior High School Green Chemistry Creative Competition" was jointly organized with the Ministry of Education. EPA Minister Chang Tzi-Chin and Minister of Education Pan Wen-Chung delivered speeches and presented the awards. In addition, the convener of the National Chemical Substances Management Board, Chen Chien-jen, the Premier of the Executive Yuan, was also invited to give a speech and to visit the display booths. In the afternoon, the achievement presentations for the "Enterprise Sustainable Governance (ESG) Activities," the "College Creative Contest Achievements Presentation," and the "High School Creative Contest Achievements Presentation" were held simultaneously to showcase the accomplishments of all sectors in promoting green chemistry.
3. On May 22, the 2023 Critical Infrastructure Toxic Disaster Training was held for critical infrastructure units responsible for oil, water, electricity, transportation, and hospitals. Personnel underwent toxic chemical incident training, learning the principles behind toxic incident response and improving safety of personnel.