

Abbreviations and acronyms

AB	Assembly Bill
Ag biotech	Agricultural biotechnology
BCA	Benefit-cost analysis
BFRs	Brominated flame retardants
Bt	Bacillus thuringiensis
Cal/EPA	California Environmental Protection Agency
CEC	California Energy Commission
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
CLRTAP	Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution
CO	Carbon monoxide
CO ₂	Carbon dioxide
CPUC	California Public Utility Commission
CWA	Clean Water Act
DG	Directorate-general
DPR	Department of Pesticide Regulation
DTSC	Department of Toxic Substances Control
ECHA	European Chemicals Agency
ECJ	European Court of Justice
EDCs	Endocrine disrupting chemicals
EDSP	Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program
EFSA	European Food and Safety Authority
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ESA	Endangered Species Act
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FIFRA	Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GHGs	Greenhouse gases
GM	Genetically modified
GMOs	Genetically modified organisms
GW	Gigawatt
HC	Hydrocarbon
I&M	Inspection and maintenance

IFOAM	International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements
IPPC	International Plant Protection Commission
ITF	International Task Force on Harmonization
LAAPCD	Los Angeles Air Pollution Control District
LEED	Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (Green Building Rating System)
LEV	Low emissions vehicle
MOU	Memorandum of understanding
MRA	Mutual Recognition Agreement
mtCO ₂ e	Metric tonnes of CO ₂ equivalent
MWh	Megawatt hour
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NAECA	National Appliance Energy Conservation Act
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NGO	Non-governmental organization
NMOGs	Non-methane organic gases
NOP	National Organic Program
NOSB	National Organic Standards Board
NO _x	Nitrogen oxide
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OIE	International Office of Epizootics
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OTC	Ozone Transport Commission
PBT	Persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic
POPs	Persistent organic pollutants
PPM	Process and production methods
R&D	Research and development
REACH	Registration, evaluation, authorization and restriction of chemical substances
RGGI	Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative
RIA	Regulatory impact analysis
RoHS	Restriction on the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment
SAICM	Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management
SB	Senate Bill
SCAQMD	South Coast Air Quality Management District
SCP	Sustainable production and consumption
SIP	State Implementation Plan
SO ₂	Sulphur dioxide

SPS	Sanitary and phytosanitary
SVHCs	Substances of very high concern
TEC	Treaty establishing the European Community
TFEU	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
tpa	(metric) tonne per annum
TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Agriculture and Development
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission on Europe
USDA-APHIS	US Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
WCI	Western Climate Initiative
WEEE	Waste electrical and electronic equipment
WFD	Water Framework Directive
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization
ZEV	Zero emissions vehicle