

- *Plant sites that exclusively produce explosives (covered by another Convention).*
- *Polymers (no single structural formula).*
- *There has not yet been agreement in the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) on whether bio-produced DOCs are to be included or excluded. Until that decision is made, Canada will not require Declarations for facilities that produce DOCs by bio-processes (e.g. fermentation ethanol).*

## **A n n u a l   D e c l a r a t i o n s**

In its Annual Declaration of Past Activities, which covers the previous calendar year, the Canadian National Authority is required to provide to the OPCW a list of DOC and PSF-DOC facilities producing above the Declaration thresholds. The following information is required on each declarable plant site:

- *The name of the plant site and the name of the operator/owner;*
- *The precise location of the plant site including its address;*
- *Its main activities;*
- *The approximate number of plants producing the chemicals.*

For DOCs, the list shall include information on the approximate aggregate amount of production at each plant site expressed in the ranges:

- *200 - 1,000 tonnes; 1,000-10,000 tonnes; above 10,000 tonnes*

For PSF-DOCs, the list shall also include information on the number of PSF plants within the plant site and information on the approximate aggregate amount of production of PSF-chemicals produced by each PSF-plant expressed in the ranges:

- *30 - 200 tonnes; 200 - 1,000 tonnes; 1,000 - 10,000 tonnes; above 10,000 tonnes*

## **I n s p e c t i o n s**

- *DOC plant sites may be subject to OPCW inspections at the beginning of the fourth year after entry-into-force of the Convention; a final decision by the OPCW is required.*
- *The general aim of OPCW inspections at such a facility will be to verify that activities are consistent with information provided in Declarations.*

## **N o t e s**

- *As a general rule of thumb, if what is produced at the plant site is in Chapter 29 (Organic Chemicals) of the Harmonized System tariff schedule code, declaration will likely be required.*
- *There are no quantitative limits on DOC production, nor are there any restrictions on trade.*