REACHsuite v4.5 – New Features List

With Spring comes new growth, new optimism, new registration deadlines and, in **REACHsuite's** case, new system features that REACHsuite's position as the leading independent REACH software solution.

During the Q1 / Q2 period a number of new features will be "slipstreamed" into **REACHsuite** making it even more functional and easier to use.

This will culminate later this year with a complete rewrite of the **SIEF Management and Communications** modules to adapt it to a new interface and new features in keeping with software best practices and the needs of our customers.

In this newsletter, we want to show you what's just around the corner and what's coming farther down the tracks.

Workspaces and Supporting Documents

Introduced in 2010, Workspaces became a great way for multi-substance consortia to work to a defined security scope by setting up a Task Force, allocating substances and then adding users within the system to that Task Force.

Task Force members, such as "junior" consortium members, external service providers and consultants can only see and work with the substances they have an interest in.

Workspaces are the portal through which Task Force members securely collaborate and share documents, studies, meeting minutes and any other document form.

4.5 sees the introduction of **Check Out** / **Check In** which keeps multiple document versions sequenced with the added benefit of inline, or "round trip", editing allowing documents to be edited in situ.

Key V4.5 New Features Covered

Workspaces and Supporting Documents
Including check in/check out with inline or "round trip" editing, i.e. you can open an Office document directly from **REACHsuite**, edit it, and it automatically uploads back into **REACHsuite** without the need to save to your local disk

Inbox email – SIEF Management
Allows the sending of replies to received emails without leaving the system to go into your email client; particularly useful for capturing and monitoring inbound email from Lead Registrants and other SIEF members where you are a non-Lead Registrant

Improved Help Functionality
Completely rewritten text and functionality with module context-sensitive help and a dynamic Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section

Plus, a glimpse of what's to come in V5.0.

With inline editing, you can open the document directly from **REACHsuite**, edit it, and automatically upload it back to **REACHsuite** without the need to save to your local disk. This is provided you have a version of the attachment's originating software installed that can read and edit the file, typically a version of Microsoft Office but it is not limited to the Microsoft suite.

The inline editing facility can be invoked throughout **REACHsuite** to make updating document attachments easier to manage without having to leave REACHsuite or having to without resort to other complex document management solutions.

(Note: screenshots in this newsletter are for illustrative purposes only and a live system may be represented differently. For further information or a web demo, please email reach@baytouch.com)

SIEF Management - Inbox email

REACHsuite's SIEF Management has long been the benchmark for SIEF communications with numerous methods of contacting and engaging with SIEF members.

If you are the Lead Registrant and you allowed SIEF members to reply to your email communication, their response would be seen in the folder of the originating email. But to reply to them directly, clicking on their email address would bring up your own email client resulting in your reply email being initiated "external" to REACHsuite. The way to counter this was to cc: back into the SIEF email address so that a record of your email would at least be available in REACHsuite.

Now you will be able to reply directly from within **REACHsuite** (see highlighted Reply button below) with the added benefit for corporate users who are not Lead Registrants across many substances that you will be able to capture all inbound emails from the LR and reply to them. This provides a full audit trail of all SIEF email communications kept within REACHsuite by substance, by date and searchable across all substances in what will be an "Outlook-type" experience.
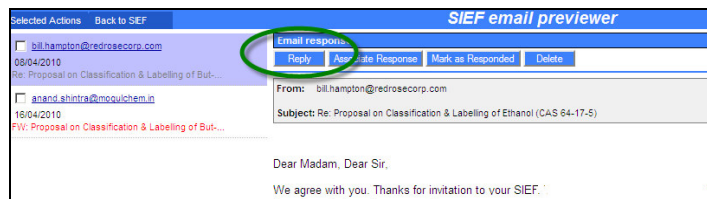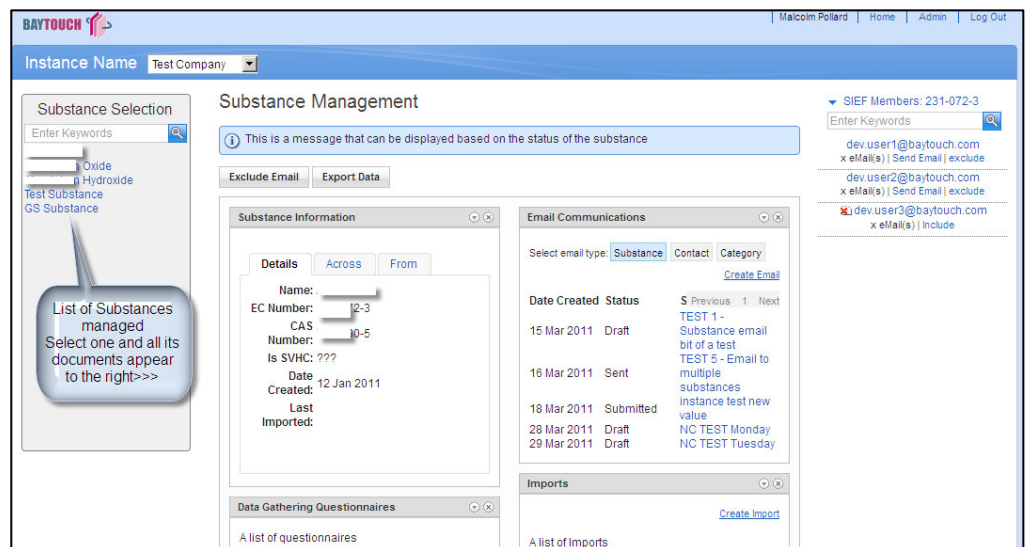

In both the Lead registrant/Consortium and Non-Lead email scenarios, the inbox email addressing requires dedicated email addresses per substance (e.g. CAS.No@SIEFname.eu) and a non-Lead Registrant would require a dedicated server setup.

Improved Help Functionality

Driven by the need to make REACHsuite more accessible to more people, the Help system has now been completely revised:

Context-sensitive Help in each module brings up a list of topic documents which when printed individually or collectively, will produce a comprehensive "How To" guide for that module.

New Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section for all modules allows the user to ask simple questions and to see what help topics other users have been interested in.

New look for Version 5

And finally, a glimpse of the new look and feel for **REACHsuite v5.0** which will start with a complete revamp of the SIEF Management and Communications modules.

The early prototype screen on the right shows the substance/SIEF-oriented management approach, where there is a list of SIEFs listed in the left hand column and selecting a SIEF brings up all relevant information.

Substance Management and all other associated modules will follow later in the year and will result in a high performance, easier to manage and even easier to use system.