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How Quality Bicycle Products is Staying Ahead of CPSC eFiling

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Agenda

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How Quality Bicycle Products is Staying Ahead of CPSC eFiling

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About QBP

- Quality Bicycle Products (QBP) is a leading distributor of bicycles, components, and outdoor gear, dedicated to supporting retailers and advancing the cycling industry.

- Founded on a deep passion for biking and a commitment to sustainability, innovation, and customer success, QBP serves thousands of retailers with an extensive catalog of high-quality products from top brands.

Current Landscape of eFiling:
Overview & Benefits

eFiling enables importers to electronically submit compliance data, streamlining the process through U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and securely storing certificates in the CPSC Product Registry.

Potential Benefits for Importers:

- Lower risk scores = fewer inspections

- Reduced hold times for compliant products

- Fewer examinations = lower costs

- Improved certificate data management

Benefits for CPSC:

- More targeted focus on high-risk products

- Faster inspections & resource allocation

- Greater efficiency in protecting consumers

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Current Landscape of eFiling:
Scope of Product Certification & Compliance

Importers are required to verify and certify that their products meet compliance standards.

A product requires certification if it:

- Is subject to a consumer safety rule, ban, or regulation.

- Is imported for sale or storage.

- Is made available in U.S. commerce.

Types of Compliance Certificates

- Children's Product Certificate (CPC) – Required for products subject to children's safety standards. (Baby gear, toys, children's clothing, youth bicycles, etc.)

- General Certificate of Conformity (GCC) – Required for general use consumer products. (Adult bicycles, batteries, fireworks, contact adhesives, lighters, apparel, and more.)

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Current Landscape of eFiling:
Submission & Process

Two Ways to Submit Compliance Data to CBP's ACE System:

- Full PGA Message Set: Submit all compliance data with every shipment (no Product Registry required).

- Reference PGA Message Set: Submit only a Certificate Identifier linked to pre-registered data in the CPSC Product Registry.

Key Takeaways:

- Full PGA – No need for a Business Account or Product Registry; data is submitted manually for each shipment.

- Reference PGA – Requires a CPSC Product Registry account to store compliance data and streamline future imports.

- The Product Registry allows manual entry, bulk uploads, or API integration to simplify compliance data management.

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Current Landscape of eFiling:
Required Data

Option 1: Full PGA Message Set

- The importer provides their broker with the seven required product certificate data elements for the imported product and the broker files it in the CPSC PGA Message Set.

The required data elements include:
- Product ID
- Citation Codes
- Manufacture Date
- Manufacture Place
- Product Test Date
- Testing Laboratory
- Point of Contact

Full PGA Message Set
- Importers do not need to register with the CPSC Product Registry.
- All required compliance data is submitted directly to CBP for every shipment.
- There is no pre-storage of data, and each shipment requires a new full data submission.

Option 2: Reference PGA Message Set

- The importer pre-enters the product certificate data into the CPSC Product Registry and then provides their broker with the Certificate Identifiers to be filed in the PGA Message Set.

The Certificate Identifiers are:
- Certifier ID
- Product ID
- Version ID

Reference PGA Message Set
- Importers must create a Business Account in the CPSC Product Registry to pre-enter compliance data.
- A Business Account Administrator manages certificates and controls access for other team members.
- Instead of providing all compliance data with every shipment, importers only submit Certificate Identifiers(Certifier ID, Product ID, Version ID) that reference the pre-stored data in the registry.

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Current Landscape of eFiling: Timeline

- **2016-2017:** Initial Alpha Pilot with 8 importers.

- **2017-2018:** CPSC conducted a certificate study to assess compliance impact.

- **2020:** Commission approved a plan to create an eFiling program.

- **2023-2024:** Beta Pilot with 37 importers and trade partners.

- **2024-2025:** Expansion of the voluntary eFiling stage.

- **2025:** Final Rule published in the Federal Register.

- **July 8, 2026:** eFiling fully required for most imported consumer products.
  - CPSC has approved a Final Rule to implement eFiling of Certificate information for imported, regulated consumer products. Under the Final Rule, requirements impacting most imported consumer products will take effect on July 8th, 2026.

- **January 8, 2027:** eFiling required for Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) imports.

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Where are you in the eFiling preparation Process?

- Just starting to explore
- In the process of implementing
- Already set up and using it
- Not planning to implement yet

eFiling insights

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Since eFiling will require electronic submission of test data, brands that wait until the deadline in July 2026 may struggle to organize and submit past compliance records.

eFiling insights

If your system isn't ready by mid-2025, you risk manually retrieving product and test data from multiple sources—especially if you manufacture in different countries or have variations in materials.

Poll Question:

Have you or someone on your team entered product data into the CPSC Product Registry?

eFiling insights

eFiling requires cross-departmental coordination, particularly between Customs (to ensure accurate HTS codes), Product Compliance, IT (to map data sources), and Merchandising teams (to track new product/sourcing changes).

eFiling insights

eFiling isn't complete once data is in the CPSC Product Registry—importers must coordinate with their brokers to ensure it's properly linked to U.S. Customs through the ACE system, or risk costly shipment holds.

What is your biggest challenge with CPSC eFiling?

- Understanding the requirements
- Organizing and managing compliance data
- Automating the process
- Getting buy-in from leadership
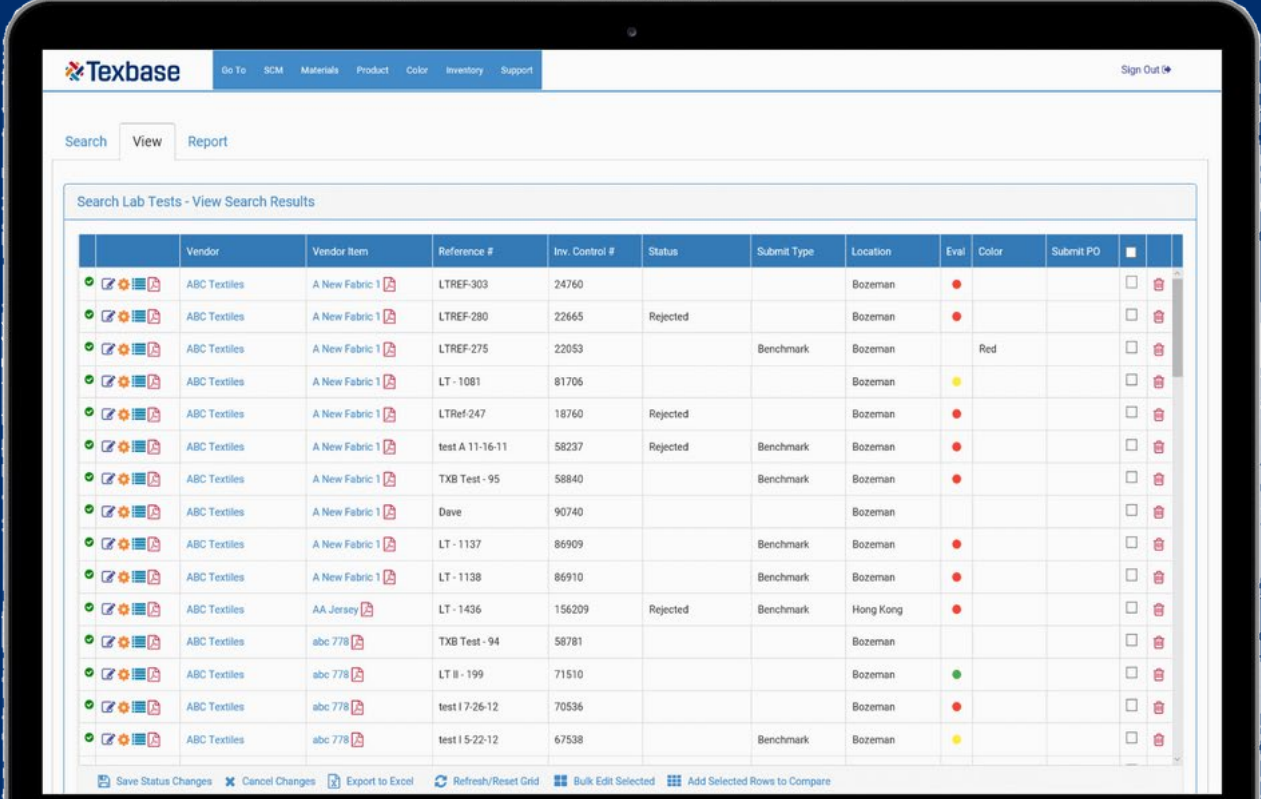
Chemical & Regulatory Compliance

Problem:

Managing PFAS, RSL, and other chemical regulations across global markets is resource-intensive and prone to oversight.

Solution:

- Texbase provides one source of truth for your RSL/PFAS/Chemical Management data.
- Manage Restricted Substances Lists and PFAS regulations.
- Integrate chemical testing with supplier data
- Align with REACH, Prop 65, and global standards

eFiling and Data Integration

Problem:

CPSIA eFiling is time-consuming and prone to errors due to manual processes and disconnected systems.

Solution:

Texbase automates eFiling workflows, consolidating lab results and compliance data into a single, streamlined hub.

Texbase Finished Product Library

- Identifies SKU's being manufactured.
- Central aggregation point for all related data.
- Raw materials
- Testing data/reports
- Supply chain map

- Tracks CPSIA data elements
- Tracks testing requirements
- Links to test reports/documents
- Auto-generates CoC's
- Integrated with Texbase Connect for Tier 1 and Independent Testing Lab data collaboration

Solutions for eFiling
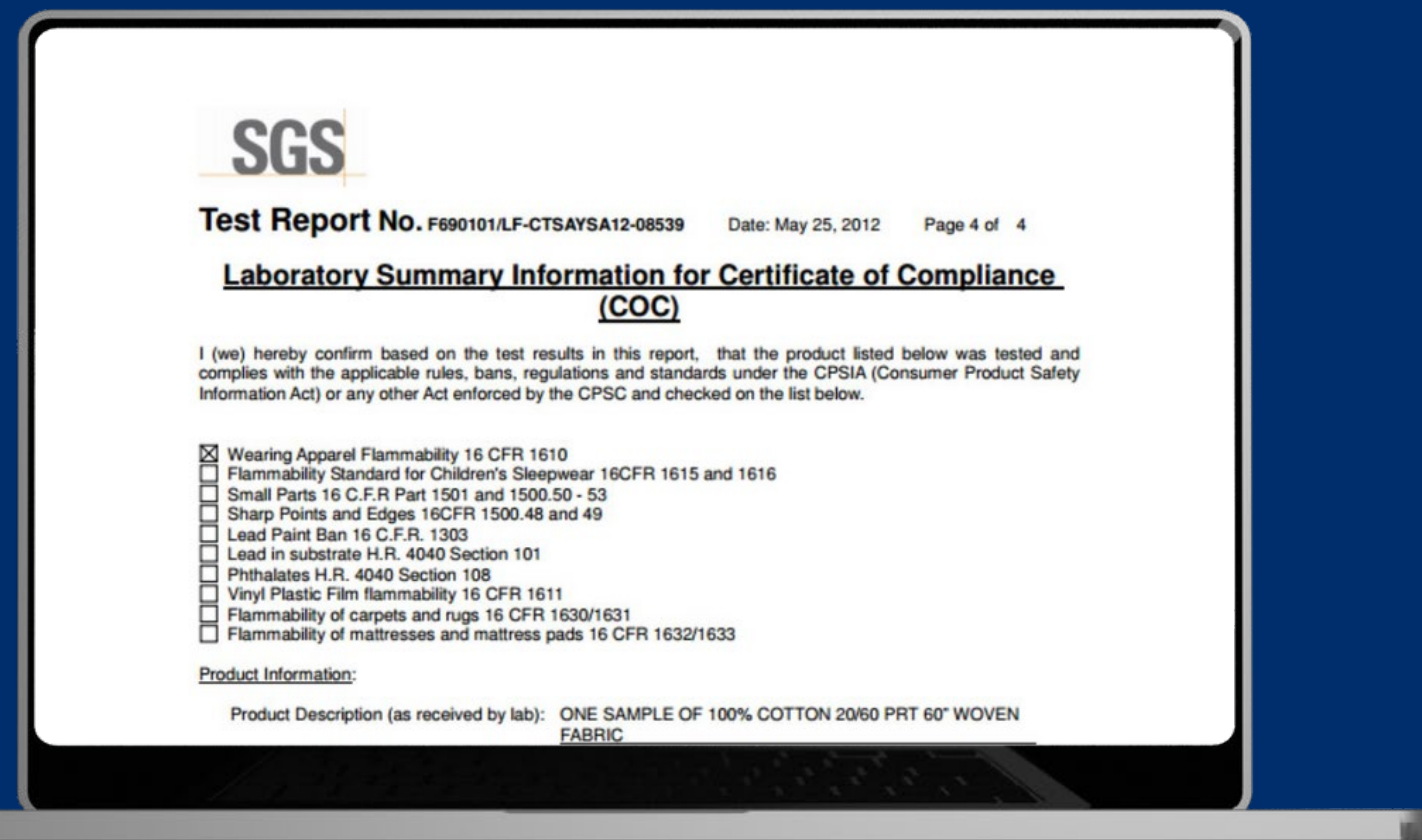
→ **Centralized Data Management**

- Product Library aggregates SKUs, raw materials, testing data, supply chain maps & CPSIA compliance docs in one place.

→ **"Compliant Object" Management**

- Tracks CPSIA-specific attributes, testing requirements, and test results.
- Links lab reports/docs and auto-generates CoCs.
- Supports manual or automated CoC generation for children's and adult products.

→ **Independant Lab Integration**

- Independant Labs use Texbase Connect to upload test reports & link to products.

→ **Future Integration with CPSC Product Registry**

- Acts as the source of data for upcoming CPSC product registry requirements, keeping brands ahead of compliance changes.

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Laboratory Summary Information for Certificate of Compliance (COC)

I (we) hereby confirm based on the test results in this report, that the product listed below was tested and complies with the applicable rules, bans, regulations and standards under the CPSIA (Consumer Product Safety Information Act) or any other Act enforced by the CPSC and checked on the list below.

- ☒ Wearing Apparel Flammability 16 CFR 1610
- ☐ Flammability Standard for Children's Sleepwear 16CFR 1615 and 1616
- ☐ Small Parts 16 C.F.R Part 1501 and 1500.50 - 53
- ☐ Sharp Points and Edges 16CFR 1500.48 and 49
- ☐ Lead Paint Ban 16 C.F.R. 1303
- ☐ Lead in substrate H.R. 4040 Section 101
- ☐ Phthalates H.R. 4040 Section 108
- ☐ Vinyl Plastic Film flammability 16 CFR 1611
- ☐ Flammability of carpets and rugs 16 CFR 1630/1631
- ☐ Flammability of mattresses and mattress pads 16 CFR 1632/1633

Product Information:

Product Description (as received by lab): ONE SAMPLE OF 100% COTTON 20/60 PRT 60" WOVEN FABRIC

Robust Reporting:
Audit -Ready Compliance

Problem:

Producing accurate and timely reports for audits and compliance reviews is challenging without centralized, accessible data.
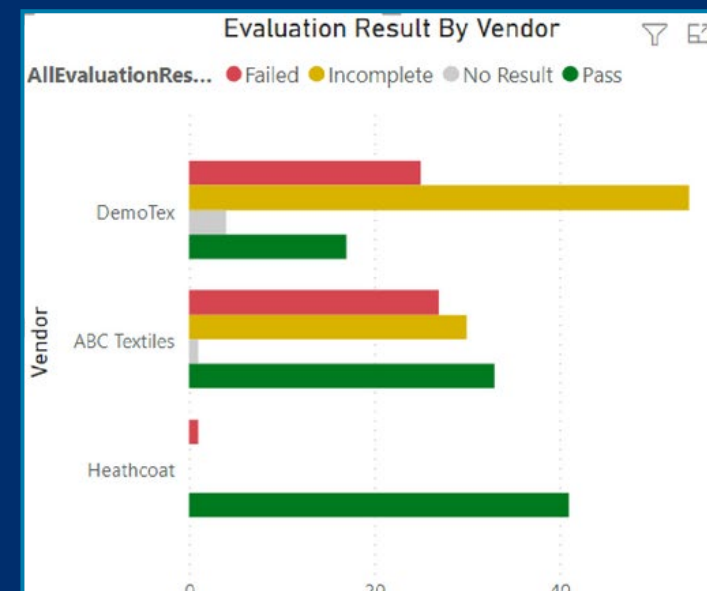
Solution:

Texbase **Advanced Find & Reporting tools** provide real-time dashboards and customizable reports, enabling quick responses to audits and proactive compliance management.
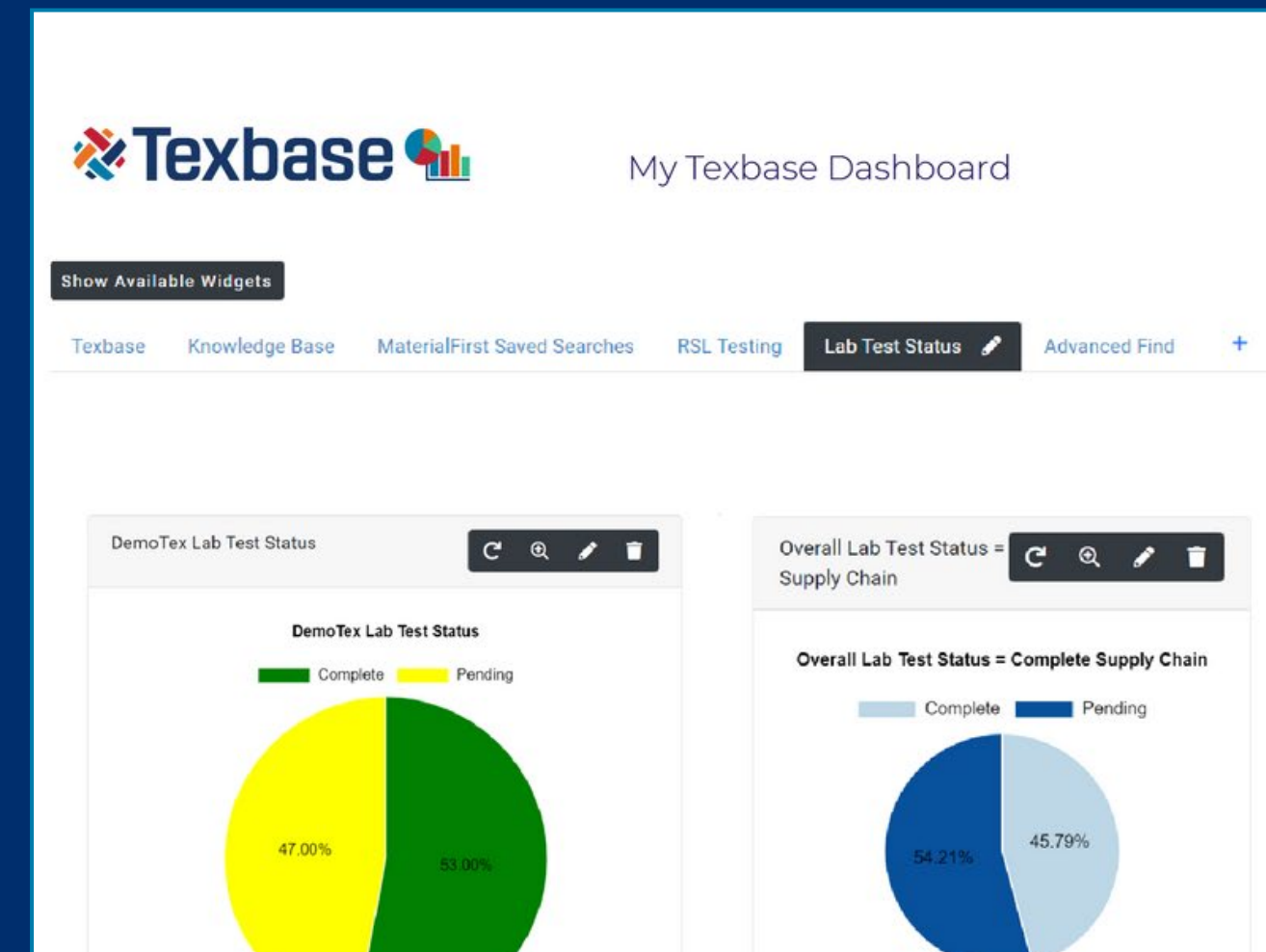
Advanced Find: Search all your data, find what you need.

Dynamic Data Link: A URL that returns data from an Advanced Find query and creates a web data source for any BI/Reporting tool.

Dashboards: allows you to monitor internal activities as well as your supply chain partners.

# Unified Compliance Platform: Texbase Connect

Problem:

Disconnected tools and workflows hinder collaboration and data management.
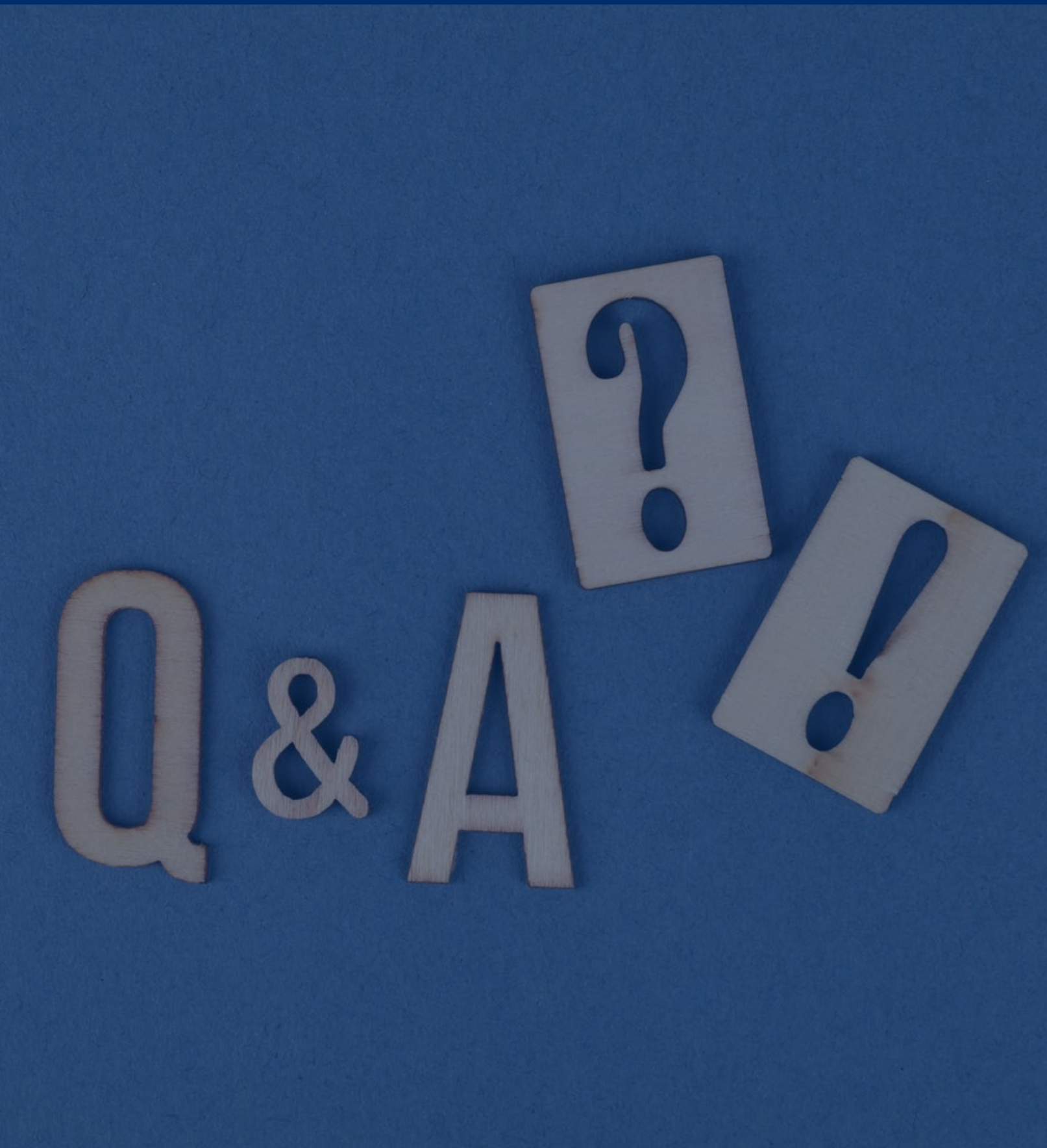
Solution:

The Texbase solution solves the problem of collecting data across your supply chains by providing one central location to store your data no matter where in the supply chain it originates.

Texbase Connect:
- Documents
- Materials
- Specifications
- Testing
- Compliance
- Color
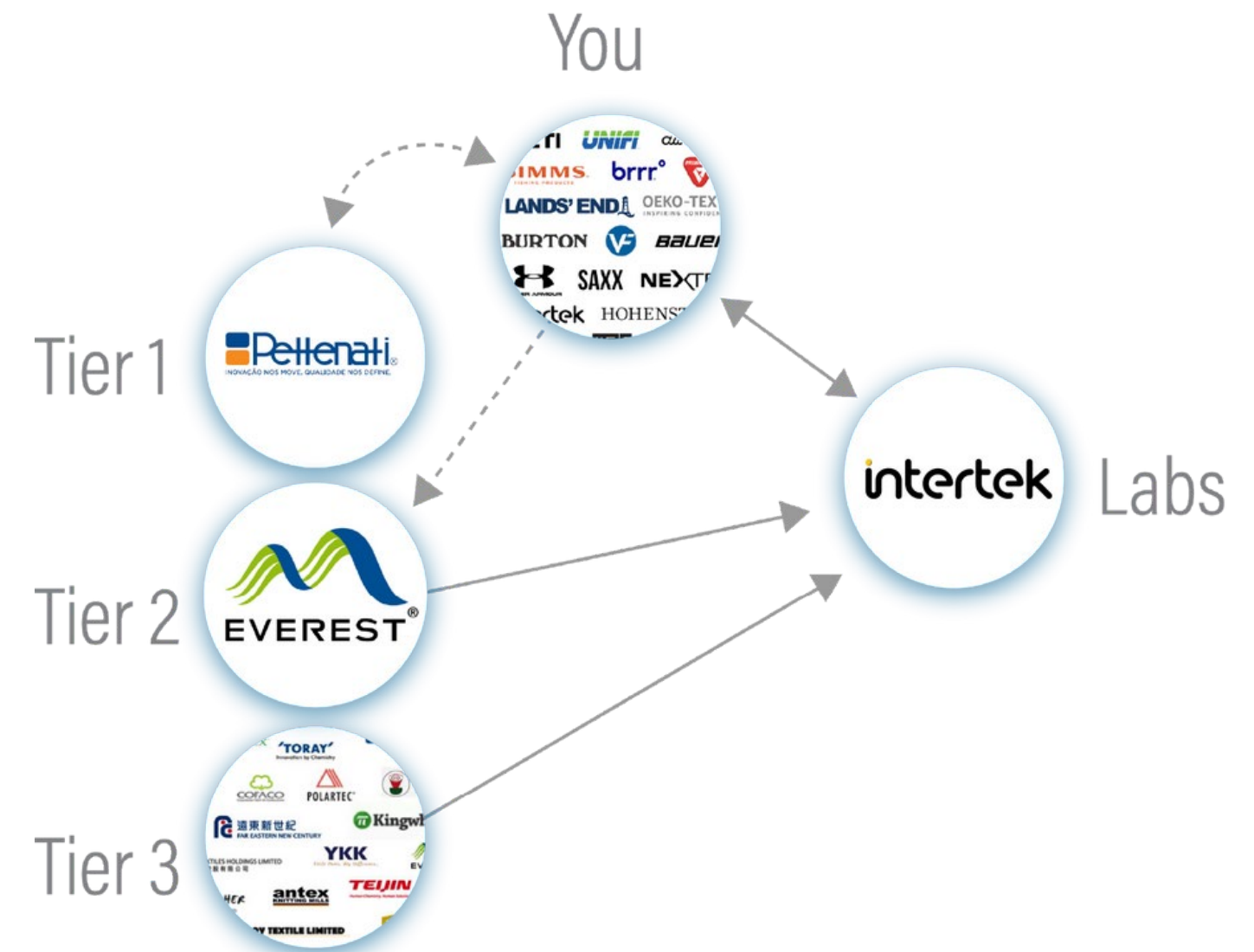
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