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GENERAL TOPICS

PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS ON GOING

Those are visible on ECHA website. This relates to the testing proposals, the harmonised classification and labelling of substances, the identification of SVHC, restrictions and proposals for recommendation of substances for inclusion in the Candidate List for authorisation.

ENES2

The second meeting of the ECHA Stakeholder Exchange Network on Exposure took place on 21-22 May 2012 in Helsinki. Report and presentations are now available here.

ECHA NEWSLETTERS

ECHA publishes regularly newsletters. The newsletter n°4/2012 is available here.

Save the date ! Information session - REACH&CLP - What are downstream users obligations?

The REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg announces its next event to be held: **Thursday, October 25, 2012 L-Kirchberg, on REACH&CLP - What are downstream users obligations?**

Downstream user status covers a large number of businesses (users of chemicals at the workplace) and activity sectors (detergents, electronics, etc). Indeed, some sectors exempted from registration requirements are impacted by obligations linked to their downstream user's status.

In practice, you must know your obligations but also make sure that your suppliers are aware of REACH and CLP and comply with their requirements.

To best meet your needs this information session (free upon participation) will consist of three events. The invitation and the detailed program are available on our wbsite under the Agenda section. You can already register online here.

* **Conference REACH & CLP**: 13:30 - 16:00 (French and German, depending on need).

Following this conference, if you want to go further, two parallel sessions are available (limited number of participants):

* **Training to our REACH EXCEL TOOL:** 16:30-18:00 (in French),
* **REACH & CLP Coffee "Safety data sheets and exposure scenario for experts"**, 16:30-18:00 (for industrial experts, in English).

These information sessions are aimed at people involved in regulatory functions, Quality Safety Environnent, technical, research and development but also managers in maintenance, purchase or business development.

New tasks for ECHA

* **New PIC Regulation adds to ECHA's tasks :**

The Prior Informed Consent (PIC) Regulation gave new tasks for the Agency in order to implement the Rotterdam Convention at EU level and set guidelines for the import and export of certain hazardous chemicals. The recast PIC Regulation is now in force, and will apply for industry from 1 March 2014 onwards. More information on ECHA website.

* **New biocides regulation enters into force:**

The Biocidal Products Regulation adopted by the Council and Parliament in the spring enters into force on 17 July. The regulatory requirements for industry will apply from 1 September 2013 and ECHA is preparing to start the new regulatory processes by that date. For further information please consult the ECHA Press release.

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REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of CHemicals)

* REACH FAQs version 4.5 available

The REACH FAQ update version 4.5 has been published on 07/08/2012. As done with the CLP FAQs (version 3.1, published on 31/07/2012), REACH FAQs have been reviewed in order to update them or/and align them with the updates of various guidance documents. In some of the FAQs, other editorial changes have also been performed.

* New ATP (Adaptation to Technical Progress) for the REACH regulation

An ATP amending Regulation (EC) No 440/2008 was published in the Official Government Register on 6 July 2012 under the reference: Regulation (EC) No 640/2012. It amends the Annex to Regulation 440/2008 laying down test methods pursuant to the REACH Regulation.

Registration:

* The list of Active Lead Registrants updated

ECHA publishes regularly a list of active lead registrants and a list of substances identified by industry to be registered for REACH 31 May 2013.

* Practical Guide for reporting toxicological summaries for REACH

ECHA has published a Practical Guide for REACH registrants on how to report the toxicological summaries, including derivation of no-effect levels (DNELs) in IUCLID. The aim is to support registrants in their preparations for the 2013 deadline and to provide guidance on how to improve the overall quality of information in the chemical safety assessment of existing dossiers. For further details please refer to the ECHA News alert. Please consult the guide here.

* Additional information on chemical substances to be published by ECHA

More information from registration dossiers will be published on ECHA's website as from November. Registrants can request that the information be kept confidential by updating their dossiers before the end of October. For further information please consult the ECHA news alert.

* ECHA guidance on data sharing available in 22 languages

This document describes data sharing mechanisms for phase-in and non phase-in substances under REACH. It includes the communication within the SIEF and the cost sharing guidance. The document also describes the Confidential Business Information and Competition Law issues in the context of data sharing. The guidance on data sharing is now available in 22 EU languages.

Authorisation:

* ECHA launches a public consultation on 54 potential Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)

The public consultation is open for 45 days and will end on 18 October 2012. Interested parties can post their comments on the ECHA website.

* New web tool for the management of consumers requests under REACH Art. 33(2)

Consumers can now check if a product contains substances of very high concern (SVHCs) included in the Candidate List by typing a barcode ID of the product online. The request is sent automatically via email to the manufacturer or the importer who has to answer within 45 days (see Art. 33(2) REACH). This new online service was recently published by the German Environmental Agency (Umweltbundesamt, UBA) and "Friends of the Earth Germany" (BUND). By the end of the year, the tool will be available as an application for smart phones. Although the website is only available in German, requests have also been provided in English.

For further information, please visit our website

CLP (Classification, Labelling and Packaging of substances and mixtures)

Requesting a review of a decision on the use of an alternative chemical name

ECHA has published a new webform for registrants to request a review of ECHA's decision on the use of an alternative name for a substance.

CLP : Harmonised classification and labelling

* New public consultations on proposals for harmonised classification and labelling for **two pesticides / biocides (tebuconazole and imazalil) and a plasticiser (diisohexyl phthalate - DIHP)**. More information here.

* **New ATP** (Adaptation to Technical Progress) to the CLP regulation

The **3rd ATP** to the CLP Regulation is laid down in Commission Regulation (EU) No 618/2012 which entered into force on 10 July 2012. It updates and completes the third section of the Annex VI of Commission Regulation No. 1272/2008 related to harmonised classification and labelling.

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AGENDA

This section is updated regularly on our website, consult it at www.reach.lu/agenda.

National events

12.10.2012	Launching event of SME week 2012 , 14:30-17:15, Chambre de Commerce, L-Kirchberg.
25.10.2012	REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg - What are the obligations of downstream users ? - 1 day – 3 events, 13:30-18:00, Chambre de Commerce, L-Kirchberg.
04.12.2012	REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg - Annual Conference and Networking lunch, 12:30-17:00, Chambre de Commerce, L-Kirchberg.

International events

27.09.2012 **05.10.2012**	Two new webinars of ECHA as a key part of the "REACH 2013 – Act now!" campaign: How to bring your registration dossier in compliance with REACH – Tips and Hints (part 1), 15:00-17:00 (GMT+3) What should every registrant know about Substance Evaluation? 11:00-14:00 (GMT+3)
01-02.10.2012 **02-03.10.2012**	ECHA proposes two seminars linked to the authorisation procedure: "Applications for authorisation" "Analysing alternatives and socio-economic impacts on applications for authorisation"
11-12.10.2012	Second Lead registrant workshop, in Helsinki : Preliminary programme of the Lead registrant workshop published. Registration open until 21 September.

You will find presentations from the events organized by ECHA in section "events" of ECHA's website.