

Classification and Labelling Inventory - Overview

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Overview

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Background

Manufacturers/Importers are obliged to notify: (Art. 39)

- All hazardous substances (under CLP), and
- All substances subject to REACH registration...

...which are placed on the market

Notifications should contain: (Art. 40)

- Identity of the notifier
- Substance identity, including composition and impurities/additives
- Classification and labelling (including SCLs/M-factors and reason for no classification)

We have received so far (March 2013):

- 5.8 million notifications for
- 122 000 substances



The public C&L Inventory portal

ECHA shall "establish and maintain a classification and labelling inventory in the form of a database" parts of which will be public (Art. 42(1))

REACH Article 119(1):

- Classification and labelling
- If applicable, EC name and no, CAS no
- IUPAC name (for certain hazard classes)

Not included:

- Identity of notifiers
- Composition/impurities/additives
- Confidential information

Additional information:

- Table 3.1 to Annex VI of CLP
- Joint REACH registration entry





Content of the public C&L Inventory

- All notifications for substances for which there is a hazardous notification (according to Article 119(1))
- All notifications for EC substances
 - Including non-classified substances
- ~ 90% of notified substances (110 000)
- ~ 98% of received notifications

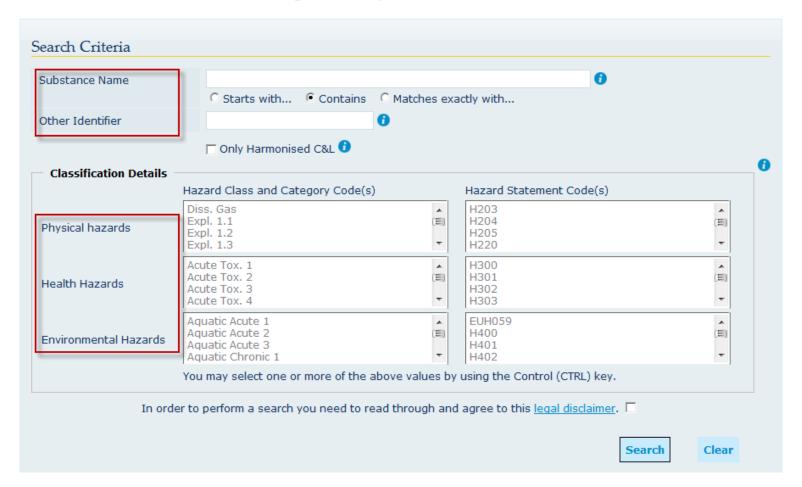
	Substances	Notifications
EC substances	33 %	70 %
Non-EC substances	67 %	30 %





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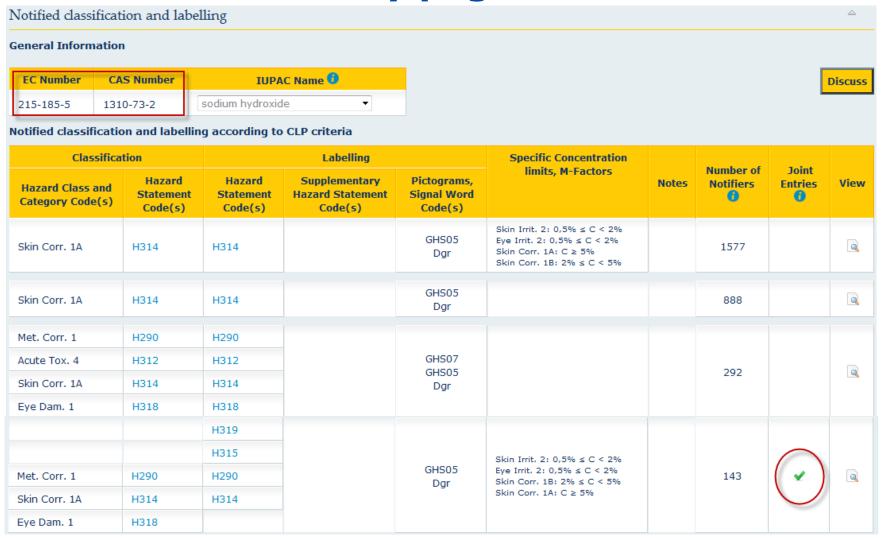


Harmonised classification





Substance summary page





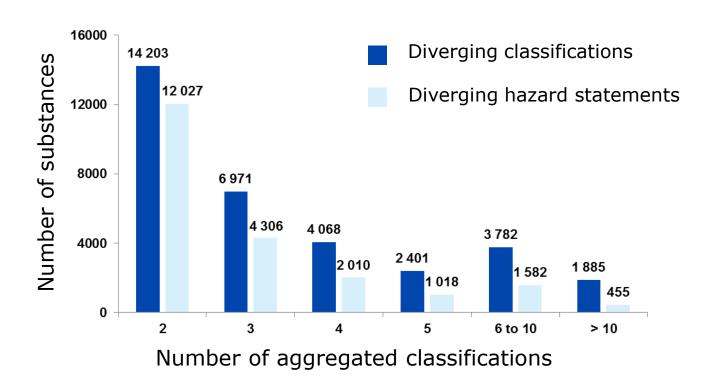


Divergence of classifications

- Notifiers of the same substance are obliged to "...make every effort to come to an agreed entry to be included in the inventory. The notifiers shall inform the agency accordingly" (Art. 41)
- ~ 25% of substances have different notified classifications
- Differences can be legitimate (e.g. impurities/physical form), but different access to data or disagreements on data can also have effect
- Errors (e.g. missing labelling, incorrect hazard statement) also common



Level of divergence in the Inventory





Convergence and regulatory actions

- In time, classifications should converge on one or few entries for each substance
- The Inventory database can be used to identify and prioritise substances for regulatory processes
 - Harmonised classification and labelling (CLH)
 - Substances of very high concern (SVHC)
- Level of divergence used in priority setting
- Any self-prioritisation by industry is welcomed

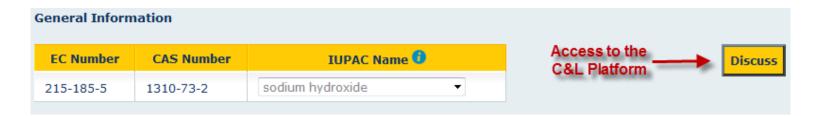


The C&L Platform

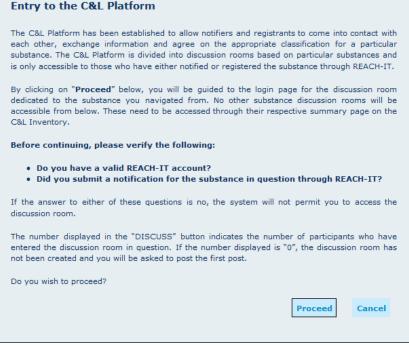
- ECHA launched the C&L Platform in January 2013 to assist notifiers in agreeing on classifications of substances
- Platform is a series of web-based discussion rooms, each connected to one substance on the C&L Inventory
- Each room accessible only to registrants and notifiers of that substance
- Use is free, easy and anonymous and users are already discussing their substances



Access to the C&L Platform

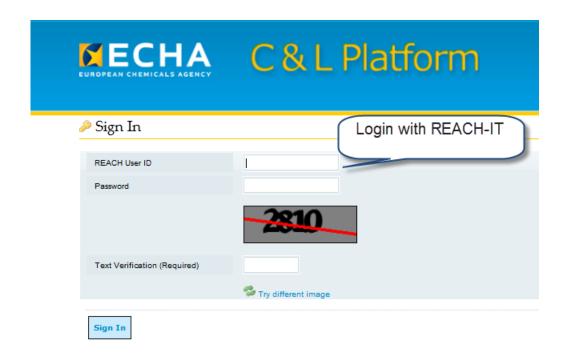


 Access to each discussion room is restricted to registrants and notifiers of that substance



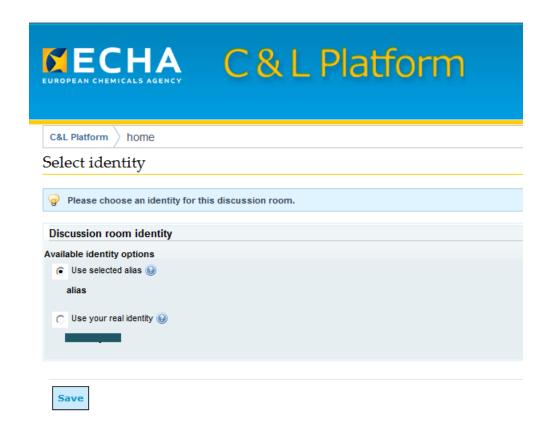


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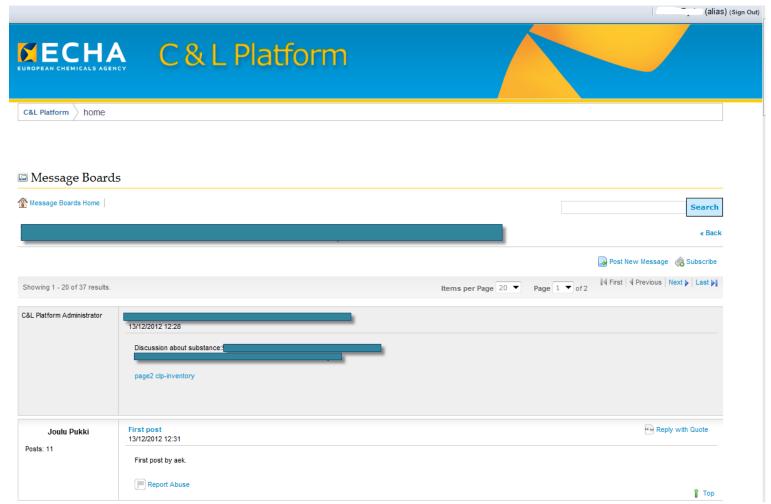


Choosing an alias





Inside the room





Conclusions

- The C&L Inventory represents the largest database of selfclassified substances in the world
- Opportunity to examine and analyse hazardous chemicals on the EU market
 - Can serve as a valuable tool in assisting MSCAs in their work
 - Industry can prioritise substances of concern for discussion
- The public portal increases transparency in the market
- The C&L Platform is easy to use and anonymous
- Over time and with the joint effort of all parties, the inventory should converge on a single or few entries for each substance, resulting in a reliable database on hazardous substances



Thank you

