

Helsinki, 25 August 2020

Addressees

Registrants of MixedFattyAcid listed in the last Appendix of this decision

Date of submission for the jointly submitted dossier subject of a decision

06/03/2019

Registered substance subject to this decision, hereafter 'the Substance'

Substance name: Fatty acids, C16-C18 (even numbered) and C18 (unsaturated) and Fatty acids, C16-C18 (even numbered) and C18 (unsaturated) methyl esters

List number: 939-235-7

CAS number: NS

Decision number: [Please refer to the REACH-IT message which delivered this communication (in format TPE-D-XXXXXXXXXX-XX-XX/F)]

DECISION ON A TESTING PROPOSAL

Based on Article 40 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH), ECHA requests that you submit the information listed below by the deadline of **30 August 2021**.

A. Requirements applicable to all the Registrants subject to Annex X of REACH

- 1. Long-term toxicity to sediment organisms (Annex X, Section 9.5.1.); using the following test method: Sediment-water Lumbriculus toxicity test using spiked sediment (OECD TG 225);**

Conditions to comply with the requests

Each addressee of this decision is bound by the requests for information corresponding to the REACH Annexes applicable to their own registered tonnage of the Substance at the time of evaluation of the jointly submitted dossier.

To identify your legal obligations, please refer to the following:

- you have to comply with the requirements of Annexes VII to X of REACH, if you have registered a substance at above 1000 tpa.

Registrants are only required to share the costs of information they are required to submit to fulfil the information requirements for their registration.

The Appendix entitled Observations and technical guidance addresses the generic approach for the selection and reporting of the test material used to perform the required studies and provides generic recommendations and references to ECHA guidance and other reference documents.

You must submit the information requested in this decision by the deadline indicated above in an updated registration dossier and also update the chemical safety report, where relevant, including any changes to classification and labelling, based on the newly generated information.

Appeal

This decision can be appealed to the Board of Appeal of ECHA within three months of its notification. An appeal, together with the grounds thereof, has to be submitted to ECHA in writing. An appeal has suspensive effect and is subject to a fee. Further details are described under: <http://echa.europa.eu/regulations/appeals>.

Approved¹ under the authority of Christel Schilliger-Musset, Director of Hazard Assessment

¹ As this is an electronic document, it is not physically signed. This communication has been approved according to ECHA's internal decision-approval process.

Appendix A: Reasons for the requirement applicable to all the Registrants subject to Annex X of REACH

This decision is based on the examination of the testing proposal you submitted.

1. Long-term toxicity to sediment organisms (Annex X, Section 9.5.1.)

“Long-term toxicity to sediment organisms” is a standard information requirement as laid down in Annex X, Section 9.5.1. of the REACH Regulation.

You have submitted a testing proposal for a Lumbriculus toxicity test using spiked sediment (Test method: OECD TG 225) for the registered substance.

The information on this endpoint is not available for the registered substance subject to the present decision but needs to be present in the technical dossier to meet the information requirements. Consequently, there is an information gap and you need to provide information for this endpoint.

ECHA agrees that information on long-term toxicity to sediment organisms is required as there is no information available for the registered substance in the dossier and the proposed test is appropriate to fulfil the information requirement of Annex X, Section 9.5.1.

According to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, you are requested to carry out the proposed test: Sediment-water Lumbriculus toxicity test using spiked sediment (Test method: OECD TG 225).

In your comments you agreed with the testing proposal.

Appendix B: Procedural history

ECHA started the testing proposal evaluation in accordance with Article 40(1) on 7 March 2019

ECHA notified you of the draft decision and invited you to provide comments within 30 days of the notification.

In your comments you agreed to the draft decision. ECHA took your comments into account and did not amend the request.

ECHA notified the draft decision to the competent authorities of the Member States for proposals for amendment.

As no amendments were proposed, ECHA adopted the decision under Article 51(3) of REACH.

Appendix C: Observations and technical guidance

1. This testing proposal examination decision does not prevent ECHA from initiating compliance checks at a later stage on the registrations present.
2. Failure to comply with the requests in this decision, or to otherwise fulfil the information requirements with a valid and documented adaptation, will result in a notification to the enforcement authorities of your Member State(s).

3. Test guidelines, GLP requirements and reporting

Under Article 13(3) of REACH, all new data generated as a result of this decision needs to be conducted according to the test methods laid down in a European Commission Regulation or according to international test methods recognised by the Commission or ECHA as being appropriate.

Under Article 13(4) of REACH, ecotoxicological and toxicological tests and analyses must be carried out according to the GLP principles (Directive 2004/10/EC) or other international standards recognised by the Commission or ECHA.

Under Article 10 (a) (vi) and (vii) of REACH, all new data generated as a result of this decision must be reported as study summaries, or as robust study summaries, if required under Annex I of REACH. See ECHA Practical Guide: 'How to report robust study summaries'².

4. Test material

Selection of the test material(s) for UVCB substances

The registrants of the Substance are responsible for agreeing on the composition of the test material to be selected for carrying out the tests required by the present decision. The test material selected must be relevant for all the registrants of the Substance, i.e. it takes into account the variation in compositions reported by all members of the joint submission. The composition of the test material(s) must fall within the boundary composition(s) of the Substance.

While selecting the test material you must take into account the impact of each constituent/impurity on the test results for the endpoint to be assessed. For example, if a constituent/impurity of the Substance is known to have an impact on (eco)toxicity, the selected test material must contain that constituent/impurity. Any constituents that have harmonised classification and labelling according to the CLP Regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008) must be identified and quantified using the appropriate analytical methods.

The OECD Series on Principles of Good Laboratory Practice and Compliance Monitoring, Number 11 [ENV/MC/CHEM(98)16] requires a careful identification of the test material and description of its characteristics. In addition, the Test Methods Regulation (EU) 440/2008, as amended by Regulation (EU) 2016/266, requires that "*if the test method is used for the testing of a [...] UVCB [...] sufficient information on its composition should be made available, as far as possible, e.g. by the chemical identity of its constituents, their quantitative occurrence, and relevant properties of the constituents*". In order to meet this requirement, all the constituents of the test material used for each test shall must be identified as far as possible. For each constituent the concentration value in the

² <https://echa.europa.eu/practical-guides>

test material shall must be reported in the Test material section of the endpoint study record.

Technical reporting of the test material

The composition of the selected test material must be reported in the respective endpoint study record, under the Test material section. The composition must include all constituents of the test material and their concentration values. Without such detailed reporting, ECHA may not be able to confirm that the test material is relevant for the Substance and to all the registrants of the Substance.

Technical instructions are available in the manual "How to prepare registration and PPORD dossiers"³.

5. List of references of the ECHA Guidance and other guidance/ reference documents⁴

Environmental toxicology and fate

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7a (version 6.0, July 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7a in this decision.

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7b (version 4.0, June 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7b in this decision.

Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment, Chapter R.7c (version 3.0, June 2017), referred to as ECHA Guidance R.7c in this decision.

OECD Guidance documents

Guidance Document on aqueous-phase aquatic toxicity testing of difficult test chemicals – No 23, referred to as OECD GD 23.

³ <https://echa.europa.eu/manuals>

⁴ <https://echa.europa.eu/guidance-documents/guidance-on-information-requirements-and-chemical-safety-assessment>

Appendix D: List of the registrants to which the decision is addressed and the corresponding information requirements applicable to them

Registrant Name	Registration number	(Highest) Data requirements to be fulfilled
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Note: where applicable, the name of a third party representative (TPR) may be displayed in the list of recipients whereas the decision is sent to the actual registrant.