

Helsinki, 24 May 2023

## **Inclusion of substances of very high concern in the Candidate List for eventual inclusion in Annex XIV**

**(Decision of the European Chemicals Agency)**

<p><b>Owner: Mike Rasenberg</b></p> <p><b>Activity/Process: 1.3</b></p> <p><b>Identification of SVHC</b></p> <p><b>Validity: Indefinite</b></p>	<p><b>Distribution:</b></p> <p><b>Executive Director</b></p> <p><b>Deputy Executive Director</b></p> <p><b>Director C</b></p> <p><b>HoU C3</b></p> <p><b>ECHANet</b></p>
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## Whereas

- (1) Pursuant to Article 59(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) the European Chemicals Agency (hereinafter referred to as 'The Agency') received from Member States two Annex XV dossiers for substances which in their opinion meet the criteria of substances of very high concern (SVHCs) set out in Article 57 of REACH.
- (2) On 17 February 2023, the Agency invited all interested parties to submit comments on the Annex XV dossiers, as stated in Article 59(4) of REACH.
- (3) The interested party commenting period for all substances ended on 03 April 2023.
- (4) In accordance with Article 59(5) of REACH, the deadline for Member States or the Agency to comment on the identification of the substances as SVHCs was 18 April 2023.
- (5) The Agency did not receive or make any comments on the identification as SVHC for the following substance:

<b>SUBSTANCE NAME</b>	<b>EC NUMBER</b>	<b>CAS NUMBER</b>
Diphenyl(2,4,6-trimethylbenzoyl)phosphine oxide	278-355-8	75980-60-8

- (6) Therefore, this substance is identified as a substance of very high concern for the reasons set out in the relevant support document of this substance. Pursuant to Article 59(6) of REACH the Agency shall now include this substance in the Candidate List for eventual inclusion in Annex XIV to REACH.
- (7) The Agency received comments on the identification as SVHC for the following substance:

<b>SUBSTANCE NAME</b>	<b>EC NUMBER</b>	<b>CAS NUMBER</b>
Bis(4-chlorophenyl) sulphone	201-247-9	80-07-9

- (8) Thus, pursuant to Article 59(7) of REACH the dossier related to this substance was referred to the Member State Committee (MSC).
- (9) The MSC unanimously agreed via written procedure, which closed on 12 May 2023, that the following substance meets the criteria set out in Article 57 of REACH for identification as SVHC.

<b>SUBSTANCE NAME</b>	<b>EC NUMBER</b>	<b>CAS NUMBER</b>
Bis(4-chlorophenyl) sulphone	201-247-9	80-07-9

- (10) Therefore, this substance is identified as a substance of very high concern for the reasons set out in the relevant support document of this substance. Pursuant to Article 59(8) of REACH the Agency shall now include this substance in the Candidate List for eventual inclusion in Annex XIV to REACH.

**I HAVE DECIDED THE FOLLOWING:****1. The following substances are identified as substances of very high concern meeting the criteria under Article 57 of REACH:**

<b>SUBSTANCE NAME</b>	<b>EC NUMBER</b>	<b>CAS NUMBER</b>	<b>INTRINSIC PROPERTY(IES) REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 57</b>
Diphenyl(2,4,6-trimethylbenzoyl)phosphine oxide	278-355-8	75980-60-8	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)
Bis(4-chlorophenyl) sulphone	201-247-9	80-07-9	vPvB (Article 57e)

**2. Under Articles 59(6) and 59(8) of REACH the substances referred to in paragraph 1 above with the indications provided therein shall be included in the Candidate List for eventual inclusion in Annex XIV to REACH.****3. Pursuant to Article 59(10) of REACH the Agency shall on 14 June 2023 publish and update on its website the Candidate List for eventual inclusion in Annex XIV to REACH with the entries referred to in paragraph 1 above.****4. Entry into effect**

This decision shall take effect from 14 June 2023.

*(e-signed)*

Mike Rasenberg<sup>1</sup>  
Director of Hazard Assessment<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Mandated to sign this decision in accordance with ECHA's internal process.

<sup>2</sup> As this is an electronic document, it is not physically signed. This communication has been approved according to the Agency's internal decision-approval process.