

Decision number: TPE-D-0000002474-75-02/F

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DECISION ON A TESTING PROPOSAL SET OUT IN A REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 40(3) OF REGULATION (EC) NO 1907/2006**For reaction mass of sodium sulfate, sodium amino-12-dodecanoate and sodium dodecanedioate, EC No 914-147-1, registration number: [REDACTED]****Addressee: [REDACTED]**

The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) has taken the following decision in accordance with the procedure set out in Articles 50 and 51 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH Regulation).

I. Procedure

Pursuant to Article 40(1) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA has examined the following testing proposal submitted as part of the registration dossier in accordance with Articles 10(a)(ix) and 12(1)(e) thereof for reaction mass of sodium sulfate, sodium amino-12-dodecanoate and sodium dodecanedioate, EC No 914-147-1, by [REDACTED] (Registrant), latest submission number [REDACTED] for the tonnage band of 1000 tonnes or more per year:

Viscosity of Liquids (OECD Test Guideline 114), test material not specified.

On 25 November 2010, pursuant to Article 40(1) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA initiated the examination of the testing proposal set out by the Registrant in the registration dossier for the substance mentioned above.

On 26 January 2012 ECHA sent the draft decision to the Registrant and invited it to provide comments within 30 days of the receipt of the draft decision.

On 22 February 2012 ECHA received comments from the Registrant, indicating agreement with the viscosity testing required.

On 21 March 2012 the Registrant updated its registration dossier by withdrawing one of the two original testing proposals from the dossier.

ECHA considered the updated dossier and modified the draft decision sections II and III.

On 14 June 2012 ECHA notified the Competent Authorities of the Member States of its draft decision and invited them pursuant to Article 51(1) of the REACH Regulation to submit proposals to amend the draft decision within 30 days of the receipt of the notification.

Subsequently, Competent Authorities of the Member States did not propose amendments to the draft decision and ECHA took the decision pursuant to Article 51(3) of the REACH Regulation.

This decision does not imply that the information provided by the Registrant in his registration dossier is in compliance with the REACH requirements. The decision does not

prevent ECHA to initiate a compliance check on the present dossier at a later stage.

II. Testing required

The Registrant shall carry out the following proposed test pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation using the indicated test method and the registered substance subject to the present decision:

Viscosity, Annex IX, 7.16 (test method: OECD 114).

Pursuant to Articles 40(4) and 22 of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant shall submit to ECHA by **4 February 2013** an update of the registration dossier containing the information required by this decision.

III. Statement of reasons

The decision of ECHA is based on the examination of the testing proposal submitted by the Registrant for the registered substance.

Pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA may require the Registrant to carry out the proposed test.

Viscosity

Viscosity is a standard information requirement as laid down in Annex IX, section 7.1.6. of the REACH Regulation. The information on this endpoint is not available for the registered substance but needs to be present in the technical dossier to meet the information requirements. Consequently there is an information gap and it is necessary to generate the data for this endpoint.

Therefore, pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH regulation, the Registrant is required to carry out the study: Viscosity of Liquids (test method: OECD 114) using the registered substance subject to the present decision.

IV. General requirements for the generation of information and Good Laboratory Practice

ECHA always reminds registrants of the requirements of Article 13(4) of the REACH Regulation that ecotoxicological and toxicological tests and analyses shall be carried out in compliance with the principles of good laboratory practice (GLP). National authorities monitoring GLP maintain lists of test facilities indicating the relevant areas of expertise of each facility.

According to Article 13(3) of the REACH Regulation, tests that are required to generate information on intrinsic properties of substances shall be conducted in accordance with the test methods laid down in a Commission Regulation or in accordance with other international test methods recognised by the Commission or the European Chemicals Agency as being appropriate. Thus, the Registrant shall refer to Commission Regulation (EC) No 440/2008 laying down test methods pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 as adapted to technical progress or to other international test methods recognised as being appropriate and use the applicable test methods to generate the information on the endpoints indicated above.

V. Information on right to appeal

An appeal may be brought against this decision to the Board of Appeal of ECHA under Article 51(8) of the REACH Regulation. Such appeal shall be lodged within three months of receiving notification of this decision. Further information on the appeal procedure can be found on the ECHA's internet page at http://echa.europa.eu/appeals/app_procedure_en.asp. The notice of appeal will be deemed to be filed only when the appeal fee has been paid.



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