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**Dissemination of information from registration dossiers
(Decision by the Executive Director)**

AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN CHEMICALS AGENCY

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directive 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC, and in particular Articles 77(2)(e) and 119 thereof.

Whereas:

- (1) The Agency shall make the information identified in Article 119(1) and (2) of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 in its databases publicly available, free of charge, over the Internet, except where a request made under Article 10(a)(xi) of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 is considered justified.
- (2) It is necessary to achieve a fair balance between providing the general public with information on chemicals that have been registered while ensuring that registrants may exercise any legitimate rights to safeguard their business secrets or protect other commercially sensitive information.
- (3) ECHA has made available a dedicated section on its website, where the general public can access substance-specific information from registration dossiers that is made available in accordance with Article 119 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (hereinafter “the Dissemination Portal”)¹.
- (4) Up to now ECHA has provided registrants with a public version of their dossier for their review, before the respective information was added to the Dissemination Portal. With the availability of the IUCLID Dissemination plug-in², registrants now have all the necessary tools available to determine which information from their registration dossier will be published. This means that registrants can carry out this check before submitting their dossier and no individual communication with registrants before publishing information from their dossiers is needed.

I HAVE DECIDED THE FOLLOWING:

1. Practical arrangements for inclusion of information from registration dossiers in the Dissemination Portal on ECHA’s website

- a) Information from dossiers submitted or updated from 1 December 2010 will be added to the Dissemination Portal after assignment of the registration number and without further communication with the registrant. Registrants will have had the opportunity to use the Dissemination plug-in, which enables

¹ <http://apps.echa.europa.eu/registered/registered-sub.aspx>

² http://www.echa.europa.eu/reachit/registration-it_en.asp

companies to verify which information from their dossier will be disseminated before submitting their registration.

- b) Information from dossiers submitted before 1 December 2010 will be added to the Dissemination Portal as of 1 March 2011. Even though no individual communication with registrants will take place, companies still have the possibility to update their dossier before this date. Registrants who submitted their dossier before 1 December 2010 but received their registration number only after 1 January 2011 will be given 2 months after assignment of the registration number until information from their dossier is published.
- c) Information from dossiers containing testing proposals will continue to be added to the Dissemination Portal as soon as possible after assignment of the registration number. If such a dossier has been submitted before 1 December 2010, ECHA will contact the registrant before the information is included in the Dissemination Portal.
- d) Information from dossiers that have already been reviewed or updated by registrants in view of their publication will be added to the Dissemination Portal without delay.

2. Publication and Application

In order to inform registrants of the arrangements set out in section 1, this decision shall be published on ECHA's website, accompanied by a News Alert. Registrants who submitted their dossiers before the date of application of this decision shall be notified of these arrangements through REACH-IT.

In addition, a notice to remind registrants of the fact that ECHA will make certain information from their dossiers publicly available in accordance with Article 119 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 shall be added to REACH-IT.

This decision shall apply as of the day following the date of signature.

Done at Helsinki on 14.10.2010

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Geert Dancet
Executive Director