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Public consultations now open on CLH proposals for three actives substances in plant protection products and lead

ECHA is seeking comments on new proposals for harmonised classification and labelling (CLH) for lead and for actives substances in plant protection products: carvone, metaldehyde and dimethenamid-P.

Helsinki, 23 October 2012 - The 45-day public consultation will end on 7 December. The relevant information can be found in the CLH dossiers providing the identity of the substance and the proposed classification, a scientific justification and the reason why an action is needed at EU level. Comments can be submitted by posting a webform on the ECHA website.

ECHA's Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) will consider the comments received during the public consultation when developing its opinion on the CLH proposal. The Commission takes into account the RAC opinion when it decides whether the proposal for harmonised classification and labelling is accepted and if so, the substance is added to the list of hazardous substances for which harmonised classification and labelling has been established (Annex VI, part 3 of the CLP Regulation).

Parties concerned are invited to register for the public consultation even if they do not intend to provide comments on the CLH proposal that is open. On a case-by-case basis, ECHA may request those who have registered to provide more information and/or participate in additional targeted consultations that may occur after the public consultation.

Table 1. The proposed classification and labelling for harmonisation and examples of uses of the substances.

Substance name	EC number	CAS number	Proposed harmonised classification and labelling	Examples of uses*
Carvone; 5-isopropenyl-2-methylcyclohex-2-en-1-one; d/l mixture; [1] d-carvone; [2] l-carvone; [3]	202-759-5 [1] 218-827-2 [2] 229-352-5 [3]	99-49-0 [1] 2244-16-8 [2] 6485-40-1 [3]	Skin irritation Skin sensitisation	Carvone is naturally present in essential oils and is used in various food and consumer products. Carvone (d/l mixture with CAS 99-49-0) has proved to be a successful plant growth regulator to prevent premature

				sprouting of potatoes during storage.
Metaldehyde	203-600-2	108-62-3	Flammable solid Acute toxicity Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure Hazardous to the aquatic environment	Metaldehyde is a molluscicide for the control of slugs and snails.
Dimethenamid-P	-	163515-14-8	Acute toxicity, Skin sensitisation, Hazardous to the aquatic environment	Uses not specified in the CLH report. Dimethenamid-P is widely used as a herbicide.
Lead	231-100-4	7439-92-1	Reproductive toxicity	Lead has a large variety of uses, both for industrial purposes and in consumer products. It is used e.g. in lead-acid batteries, bullets, fishing sinkers and in aviation fuel. It is also frequently used in solders and other metal alloys such as brass; which typically contains around 3 % lead. Brass can be found in various consumer articles such as coffee machines, water faucets and as buttons and zippers on clothing. Lead is also used as a constituent in paints, varnishes and crystal glass, in electronics, machinery, and in jewellery.

* Please note that information on uses does not impact the classification and labelling, which is solely based on the intrinsic properties of a substance. Examples of uses are copied from the CLH report.

Further information

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