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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 6-phenyl-1,3,5-triazine-2,4-diylidiamine, CAS No 91-76-9 (EC No 202-095-6), 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 proposals submitted as part of the jointly submitted registration dossier in accordance with Articles 10(a)(ix) and 12(1)(e) thereof for 6-phenyl-1,3,5-triazine-2,4-diylidiamine, CAS No 91-76-9 (EC No 202-095-6), submitted by [REDACTED] (Registrant).

- Developmental toxicity / teratogenicity study (OECD 414);
- Two-generation reproduction toxicity study (OECD 416);
- Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water (OECD 309).

The present decision relates to the examination of the testing proposal for the Developmental toxicity / teratogenicity study (OECD 414) and Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water (OECD 309). The testing proposal for the two-generation reproductive toxicity study (OECD 416) is addressed in a separate decision although all these were initially addressed together in the same draft decision.

This decision is based on the registration dossier as submitted with submission number [REDACTED] for the tonnage band of 100 to 1000 tonnes per year. ECHA notes that the tonnage band for several members of the joint submission is above 1000 tonnes or more. This decision does not take into account any updates after 3 January 2014, the date upon which ECHA notified its draft decision to the Competent Authorities of the Member States pursuant to Article 51(1) 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 from initiating a compliance check on the registration at a later stage.

On 30 April 2013, pursuant to Article 40(1) of the REACH Regulation, ECHA initiated the examination of the testing proposals set out by the Registrant in the registration dossier for the substance mentioned above.

ECHA held a third party consultation for the testing proposals from 12 June 2013 until 29 July 2013. ECHA did not receive information from third parties.

On 22 October 2013 ECHA sent the draft decision to the Registrant and invited him to provide comments within 30 days of the receipt of the draft decision.

On 20 November 2013 ECHA received comments from the Registrant agreeing to ECHA's draft decision.

On 3 January 2014 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 for amendment of the draft decision within 30 days of the receipt of the notification.

Subsequently, proposals for amendment to the draft decision were submitted.

On 7 February 2014 ECHA notified the Registrant of the proposals for amendment to the draft decision and invited him pursuant to Article 51(5) of the REACH Regulation to provide comments on the proposals for amendment within 30 days of the receipt of the notification.

The ECHA Secretariat reviewed the proposals for amendment received and amended the draft decision.

On 17 February 2014 ECHA referred the draft decision to the Member State Committee.

By 10 March 2014 the Registrant provided comments on the proposals for amendment. The Member State Committee took the comments of the Registrant into account.

A unanimous agreement of the Member State Committee on the draft decision relating to the testing proposals for prenatal developmental toxicity and simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water was reached on 24 March 2014 in a written procedure launched on 13 March 2014. ECHA took the decision pursuant to Article 51(6) of the REACH Regulation.

II. Testing required

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

- 1) Pre-natal developmental toxicity study in rats or rabbits, oral route (Annex IX, 8.7.2.; test method: EU B.31/OECD 414); and
- 2) Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water (Annex IX, 9.2.1.2.; test method: Aerobic mineralisation in surface water - simulation biodegradation test, EU C.25/OECD 309) at a temperature of 12 °C and using radiolabelled material.

Data from a second pre-natal developmental toxicity study on another species is a standard information requirement according to Annex X, 8.7.2. of the REACH Regulation. The Registrant should firstly take into account the outcome of the pre-natal developmental toxicity on a first species and all other relevant available data to determine if the conditions are met for adaptations according to Annex X, 8.7. column 2, or according to Annex XI. If the Registrant considers that testing is necessary to fulfill this information requirement, he should include in the update of his dossier a testing proposal for a pre-natal developmental toxicity study on a second species.

Pursuant to Articles 40(4) and 22 of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant shall submit to ECHA by **10 May 2016** an update of the registration dossier containing the information required by this decision.

At any time, the Registrant shall take into account that there may be an obligation to make every effort to agree on sharing of information and costs with other Registrants.

III. Statement of reasons

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

1. Pre-natal developmental toxicity

a) Examination of the testing proposal

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

A pre-natal developmental toxicity study for a first species is a standard information requirement as laid down in Annex IX, section 8.7.2. 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 provide information for this endpoint.

The Registrant did not specify the species to be used for testing and did not specify the route for testing. According to the test method EU B.31/OECD 414, the rat is the preferred rodent species, the rabbit the preferred non-rodent species and the test substance is usually administered orally. ECHA considers these default parameters appropriate and testing should be performed by the oral route with the rat or the rabbit as a first species to be used.

b) Outcome

Therefore, pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant is required to carry out the proposed study: Pre-natal developmental toxicity study in rats or rabbits, oral route (test method: EU B.31/OECD 414) using the registered substance.

c) Notes for consideration by the Registrant

ECHA notes that in the joint submission there are members with a tonnage above 1000 tonnes. Therefore it reminds you of the following: In addition, a pre-natal developmental toxicity study on a second species is part of the standard information requirements as laid down in Annex X, section 8.7.2. for substances registered for 1000 tonnes or more per year (see sentence 2 of introductory paragraph 2 of Annex X).

When considering the need for a testing proposal for a prenatal developmental toxicity study in a second species, the Registrant should take into account the outcome of the pre-natal developmental toxicity study on the first species and all available data to determine if the conditions are met for adaptations according to Annex X, 8.7. column 2, or according to Annex XI; for example if the substance meets the criteria for classification as toxic for reproduction Category 1B: May damage the unborn child (H360D), and the available data are adequate to support a robust risk assessment, or alternatively, if Weight of Evidence assessment of all relevant available data provides scientific justification that the study in a second species is not needed. If the Registrant considers that the conditions for adaptations are not fulfilled, he should include in the update of his dossier a testing proposal for a pre-natal developmental toxicity study on a second species. If the Registrant comes to the conclusion that the conditions for these adaptations can be fulfilled, he should update his technical dossier by clearly stating the reasons for proposing to adapt the standard information requirement of Annex X, 8.7.2. of the REACH Regulation.

2. Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water

a) Examination of the testing proposal

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

According to column 1 of Section 9.2.1.2. of Annex IX of the REACH Regulation, simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water is a standard information requirement. 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 provide information for this endpoint.

The Registrant has submitted a testing proposal for a simulation biodegradation study in surface water (OECD 309) to cover this endpoint.

The Registrant provided the following justification for conducting the proposed test: "*based on the results of the two studies on readily biodegradability as well as the prediction of the BIOWIN QSAR model Benzoguanamine can be considered as not readily biodegradable in water. Nevertheless, the simulations give indication on ultimate biodegradation within a timeframe of weeks to months.*" The physical-chemical parameters of the substance indicated a low vapour pressure, high water solubility and low bioaccumulation potential. In addition, "*the freshwater compartment has been identified in the distribution modelling as the only compartment of concern and the assessment of the identified uses showed no risk for the environment, thus no further testing on biodegradation in soil and sediment have been proposed in accordance with Annex IX (endpoint 9.2.1.3 & 9.2.1.4) of the REACH Regulation. In line with Annex IX (endpoint 9.2.1.2) further simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water has been proposed.*"

One of the purposes of the simulation test is to provide the information that must be considered for assessing the P/vP properties of the registered substance in accordance with Annex XIII of REACH regulation to decide whether it is persistent in the environment. Annex XIII also indicates that "*the information used for the purposes of assessment of the PBT/vPvB properties shall be based on data obtained under relevant conditions*". The Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment R.7b (version 1.2, November 2012) specifies that simulation tests "*attempt to simulate degradation in a specific environment by use of indigenous biomass, media, relevant solids [...], and a typical temperature that represents the particular environment*". The Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment Chapter R.16 on Environmental Exposure Estimation., Table R.16-9 (version 2.1 October 2012) indicates 12°C (285K) as the average environmental temperature for the EU to be used in the chemical safety assessment.

ECHA considers that performing the test at the temperature of 12°C is within the applicable test conditions of the Test Guideline OECD 309.

The Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment R.7b (version 1.2, November 2012) indicates the degradation half-life calculated either by direct test substance analysis or some other suitable method such as radiolabel analysis, would allow direct comparison to the Annex XIII of REACH Regulation P/VP criteria.

The test guideline OECD 309 indicates the principal objective of the test is to determine the mineralisation of the test substance in surface water, and mineralisation constitutes the basis for expressing degradation kinetics. Although both radiolabelled and non-labelled test substances can be used in this test, the former is recommended, i.e. ¹⁴C-labelling technique. In fact, ¹⁴C labelling of the most stable part of the molecule ensures the

determination of the total mineralisation. This is also indicated in the Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment R.7b (version 1.2, November 2012). In his comments to the proposal for amendments, the Registrant confirmed his intention to conduct the surface water simulation test "at environmental relevant temperature with radiolabelled material".

According to Section 9.2.3 in Annex IX of the REACH Regulation identification of degradation products is needed unless the substance is readily biodegradable. The registered substance is not readily biodegradable, and identification of degradation products should therefore be included in the requested degradation simulation test. It is also noted that the OECD 309 Test Guideline envisages the identification of degradation products in its standard design.

ECHA notes that the proposed test can be used to fulfil the information requirement for simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water.

b) Outcome

Therefore, pursuant to Article 40(3)(a) of the REACH Regulation, the Registrant is required to carry out the proposed study using the registered substance: Simulation testing on ultimate degradation in surface water (Annex IX, 9.2.1.2.; test method: Aerobic mineralisation in surface water – simulation biodegradation test, EU C.25/OECD 309) at a temperature of 12°C and using radiolabelled material.

c) Note for the Registrant

Before conducting the test mentioned above the Registrant is advised to consult the ECHA Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment (version 1.2, November 2012), Chapter R7b, Sections R.7.9.4 and R.7.9.6 and Chapter R.11.1.3 on PBT assessment.

In accordance with Annex I, Section 4, of the REACH Regulation the Registrant should revise the PBT assessment when results of the test detailed above is available. The Registrant is also advised to consult the ECHA Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment (version 1.1, November 2012), Chapter R.11.1.3. and Figure R.11-1 on PBT assessment for the integrated testing strategy for persistency assessment in particular taking into account the degradation products of the registered substance.

3. Deadline for submitting the information

In the draft decision communicated to the Registrant the time indicated to provide the requested information was 30 months from the date of adoption of the decision. This period of time took into account the fact that the draft decision also addressed a two-generation reproductive toxicity study (Annex X, 8.7.3.). As the testing proposal for this study is not addressed in the present decision, ECHA considers that a reasonable time period for providing the required information in the form of an updated IUCLID5 dossier is 18 months from the date of the adoption of the decision. The decision was therefore modified accordingly.

IV. Adequate identification of the composition of the tested material

The process of examination of testing proposals set out in Article 40 of the REACH Regulation aims at ensuring that the new studies meet real information needs. Within this context, the Registrant's dossier was sufficient to confirm the identity of the substance to the extent necessary for examination of the testing proposal. The Registrant must note, however, that this information, or the information submitted by other registrants of the

same substance, has not been checked for compliance with the substance identity requirements set out in Section 2 of Annex VI of the REACH Regulation.

In relation to the proposed tests, the sample of substance used for the new studies must be suitable for use by all the joint registrants. Hence, the sample should have a composition that is within the specifications of the substance composition that are given by the joint registrants. It is the responsibility of all joint registrants of the same substance to agree to the tests proposed (as applicable to their tonnage level) and to document the necessary information on their substance composition.

In addition, it is important to ensure that the particular sample of substance tested in the new studies is appropriate to assess the properties of the registered substance, taking into account any variation in the composition of the technical grade of the substance as actually manufactured by each registrant. If the registration of the substance by any registrant covers different grades, the sample used for the new studies must be suitable to assess these grades.

Finally there must be adequate information on substance identity for the sample tested and the grade(s) registered to enable the relevance of the studies to be assessed.

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

ECHA 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).

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.

VI. 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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