

French Health Agency concludes that no danger or risk is identified for DINCH under REACH

Brussels 20, April 2015 - The French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health & Safety has recently concluded a toxicological evaluation of DINCH (1,2-cyclohexanedicarboxylic acid, diisononyl ester, CAS No. 166412-78-8) in the context of the national strategy on endocrine disrupting chemicals (SNPE) and under the REACH PACT-RMOA (Public Activities Communication Tool - Risk Management Options Analysis). According to ANSES, DINCH - one of the plasticisers used as a replacement to classified phthalates - does not require any specific risk management measure under the REACH PACT- RMOA.

The regulation of the use of DINCH and other plasticisers in sensitive applications such as medical devices intended for neonatal and premature care is left to specific legislations.

The European Council for Plasticisers and Intermediates (ECPI) welcomes the positive outcome of the evaluation. "We are pleased to see that ANSES has confirmed the already existing reassuring data available on DINCH", commented Stéphane Content, Manager of ECPI.

It is understood that there will now be a public consultation held by the French Ministry of Ecology under the SNPE and a final opinion will be issued in due course. It is also anticipated that the REACH Risk Management Options Analysis (RMOA) will be finalized and published on the Public Activities Communication Tool (PACT) website later this year.

The ANSES opinion can be found at:

<https://www.anses.fr/sites/default/files/documents/REACH2015re0003.pdf>

Information on the REACH PACT- RMOA can be found at:

<http://echa.europa.eu/addressing-chemicals-of-concern/substances-of-potential-concern/pact>

Please read also:

<http://echa.europa.eu/addressing-chemicals-of-concern/substances-of-potential-concern/pact/status-and-purpose>

About ECPI: The European Council for Plasticisers and Intermediates is a Brussels-based trade association representing the common interests of European manufacturers of plasticisers, alcohols and acids. Member companies are BASF, Deza, Emerald Performance Materials, Evonik, ExxonMobil, Grupa Azoty and Perstorp. ECPI is a sector group of Cefic, the European Chemical Industry Council, which represents the interests of the European chemical industry.

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