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Questions and answers from the Drinking water session at ECHA Safer Chemicals Conference, 6 October 2021

Question	Answer
<p>who will have to apply for the materials? Whoever sells them? For example how it will look differently when compared to current state for food contact materials?</p>	<p>In principle, applications for adding/reviewing a substance, composition or constituent into one of the European positive lists can be submitted by actors at different steps along the supply chain; however, we anticipate that in many cases the applicant will be the manufacturer/importer of the substance. Note that the assessment of the conformity of products (e.g. pipes, taps, etc.) made of materials manufactured with substances, compositions and constituents listed in the EU positive lists is outside the scope of ECHA's work</p>
<p>Are coatings under the scope of the regulation?</p>	<p>Some substances notified by Member States to ECHA for inclusion into the EU positive list for organics appear to be relevant for coatings</p>
<p>In your presentation you mention that it is the final article that has to comply. Does this mean that you also will set up assessments of transformation/degradation prods and impurities? Thanks!</p>	<p>After the adoption of European positive lists, these new lists will play a central role as they will show which substances, compositions and constituents will be allowed for use, in line with Annex V of the Drinking Water Directive.</p> <p>When applying to ECHA with a request to add/review a substance on one of the EU positive lists, all relevant transformation/ degradation products related to the substance will need to be identified either in the material or in the migration tests and toxicologically assessed accordingly</p>