



## Additional information on chemical substances to be published

More information from registration dossiers will be published on ECHA's website as from November. Registrants can request that the information be kept confidential by updating their dossiers before the end of October.

**Helsinki, 24 July 2012** – beginning in November, ECHA will make more information from registration dossiers available on its website. This will implement a decision taken by ECHA in 2011 and is in line with Article 119(2)d of REACH. With these new elements, information made available will include the name of the registrant, the registration number of the substance as well as other items normally contained in a Safety Data Sheet (SDS). Companies wishing to request confidentiality on these items need to update their dossiers and justify their requests for confidential treatment.

All registrants are encouraged to review their dossiers and to use the upgraded IUCLID 5.4 dissemination plug-in which will identify the data that will be published. The plug-in is available free of charge on the IUCLID website. Other sources of help are the Questions and Answers document on dissemination and confidentiality claims of Safety Data Sheet information in IUCLID 5.4 published in June and the updated Data Submission Manuals 15 (on dissemination) and 16 (on confidentiality claims) now available on the ECHA website.

Dossiers that need to be updated with confidentiality requests should be resubmitted **by 31 October 2012**. From November onwards, ECHA will publish all SDS information that has not been claimed confidential.

At the same time, registrants are also encouraged to complete the newly introduced section on the PBT and vPvB assessment of their substance. This information will also be made public.

Information from registrations of previously notified substances (NONS) will similarly be made available on the website. The Question and Answer document on NONS has also been updated with further details.

## **Further information**

New version of REACH-IT released (News alert 11 July 2012) http://echa.europa.eu/view-article/-/journal\_content/59a6b9fa-9895-4720-ab7db017f470db2a Questions and answers on dissemination and confidentiality claims of Safety Data Sheet information in IUCLID 5.4 (News alert 7 June 2012) <u>http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/view-article/-/journal\_content/5a35fc19-9d8e-4143-8dd7-50dfd42a5745</u>

ECHA to publish more information on chemical substances (Press release 11 May 2011) <u>http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/view-article/-/journal\_content/77a6455a-c28f-4183-91ca-a854f5c3a176</u>

Questions and answers for the registrants of previously notified substances (NONS) <a href="http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/support/faqs">http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/support/faqs</a>

Data Submission Manuals <u>http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/support/dossier-submission-tools/</u> *The updated manuals are initially available in English version only.* 

IUCLID website http://iuclid.eu/

ECHA Helpdesk http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/support/helpdesks/echa-helpdesk

## **Background information**

The PBT acronym stands for Persistent Bioaccumulative and Toxic chemical. The vPvB acronym stands for very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative chemical.

The REACH Regulation legislation requires companies to assess PBT and vPvB characteristics of the chemicals they manufacture or import into the EU.

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