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ECHA Biocidal Products Committee Erik van de Plassche

BPC-20: Minority opinion on the proposal for approval of L(+) lactic acid in Annex I in the opinion for approval of L(+) lactic acid in PT 3.

The Danish Competent Authority is of the opinion that a substance should not be suggested for Annex I, if a risk for ground water is identified in the EU evaluation. The Danish CA agrees that L(+) lactric acid can be approved in PT 3 as a safe use has been demonstrated when the indirect release occurs via STP; however we do not agree to suggest that this substance should be included in Annex I, as a risk has been identified for ground water when L(+) lactic acid is used for disinfection of cow teats in animal housing and released to soil (via manure application).

With the current conclusion on the evaluation where a risk for ground water has been identified DK cannot support the opinion of L(+)lactic acid in PT3, as this opinion suggests to approve this substance in Annex I.

Yours sincerely,

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