Comments submitted by: Prokill Romford, UK

Dear Sir/Madam,

I understand that the European Chemicals Agency are running a public consultation concerning the eight Anticoagulant (AVK) Rodenticide active substances, all of which have been identified as "Candidates for Substitution" under the Biocidal Products Regulations.

Although these active substances have been identified as "Candidates for Substitution" (i.e. substances that should be banned and something else used), in my opinion AVKs are essential to the delivery of effective rodent control, to protect both Public Health and Animal Health. There is a complete lack of viable and effective alternatives which could realistically substitute for the use of all these Rodenticide active substances.

I strongly urge you not to ban these substances – this will have a huge impact in my view, and adversely increase the risks to public health, and other animals. Please note that I have been running my company for nearly 6 years, and have the RSPH level 2 qualification. My company also closely follows the CRRUs code of best practice.

Regards,

Prokill Romford Branch Manager