

UK REACH Competent Authority e-bulletin February 2011

Welcome to the Thirtieth edition of the UK REACH Competent Authority e-bulletin.

The aim of this e-bulletin is to provide you with a free regular update of news and information from the UK REACH Competent Authority, as well as keeping you informed of any REACH issues particular to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).

Below you will find brief information on a number of topics and issues, each linking to more detailed articles on the HSE or ECHA websites.

Updated IUCLID dissemination plug-in available.

Registrants using a category approach can now also check what will be published on ECHA's website from their dossiers.++

http://echa.europa.eu/news/na/201102/na_11_02_updated_uclid_plug_in_available_20110202_en.asp

ECHA calls for information on thirteen substances to avoid unnecessary animal testing

Testing proposals for four substances have been published on the ECHA website. Any scientifically valid information held by third parties is requested to be taken into account by ECHA when considering its decision.++

http://echa.europa.eu/consultations/test_proposals/test_prop_cons_en.asp

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http://echa.europa.eu/news/events/6th_stakeholders_day_en.asp

ECHA publishes a corrigendum of the Guidance on Registration.

Version 1.6 of the guidance is now on the ECHA website. The amendments to the guidance include Annexes II, IV, V, XI and changes relating to CLP and the EEA agreement.++

http://guidance.echa.europa.eu/docs/guidance_document/registration_en.htm?time=1296740570

ECHA improves transparency of dossier evaluation

REACH requires that new testing of a substance involving vertebrate animals should only be carried out as a last resort. To ensure that the best use has been made of existing information REACH obliges ECHA to take account of scientifically valid information received from third parties when preparing its decision on a testing proposal. In February 2011 ECHA will start to publish brief conclusions drawn from the information provided by third parties. This information will be published after the adoption of the final testing proposal decision.++

http://echa.europa.eu/news/na/201101/na_11_03_evaluation_20110131_en.asp

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