

# OPINION OF THE MEMBER STATE COMMITTEE ON THE DRAFT ANNUAL COMMUNITY ROLLING ACTION PLAN UPDATE COVERING THE YEARS 2022-2024

According to Articles 44 and 45 of Regulation (EC) 1907/2006<sup>1</sup>

Adopted on 21 February 2022

## **OPINION**

MSC is of the opinion that the substances included in the draft annual CoRAP update for the years 2022-2024 listed in the Annex should be prioritised for further evaluation. There are grounds for considering that these substances may constitute a potential risk to human health and/or the environment. To clarify the concern and inform risk management, generation of new information may be required.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC

## **BASIS FOR THE OPINION**

According to Article 44 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) the Agency compiles a draft Community Rolling Action Plan (CoRAP) for a period of three years based on agreed selection criteria<sup>2</sup>. The Member State Committee (MSC) provides an opinion on it, and ECHA adopts the CoRAP update on the basis of this opinion.

The MSC used the draft CoRAP update 2022-2024 and associated justification documents developed by MSCAs as the basis for its opinion on the inclusion of the substances listed.

MSC notes that the draft CoRAP update 2022-2024 contained altogether 52 entries. 27 substances are proposed for evaluation in 2022-2024. Of these, 4 are planned for 2022, including 2 substances newly allocated to MSs, and 23 substances are divided for evaluation in 2023 and 2024. 25 substances are proposed to be withdrawn, as, based on new information or due to ongoing or planned dossier evaluation processes, substance evaluation was considered currently of low priority or unnecessary.

From the 27 substances for evaluation in 2022-2024, the respective MS postponed the evaluation year for 20 substances, which were already included in CoRAP 2021-2023, mainly to await the arrival of new information. The designated evaluating Member States updated 6 justification documents for the selection of a substance.

The MSC assessed for each substance the following question:

- Does the concern fulfil the agreed selection criteria?
- Does the concern given in the draft CoRAP update match with the justification stated in the justification document?
- o Which of the selection criteria are fulfilled?
- If Article 45(5) is used as legal basis to propose the substance, does the justification document describe a risk based concern?
- o Are there any inconsistencies in the justification document which may prevent inclusion of the substance in the CoRAP update?

The MSC verified that the agreed selection criteria are met for the new entries and any existing entries with updated justification documents. The update of justification documents was

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  The selection criteria to prioritise substances for Substance Evaluation can be found on the ECHA website on: https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/13628/background doc criteria ed 32 2011 en.pdf/67441c3c-75be-4ecd-992e-b90ab2041805

mainly due to insufficient information obtained during the compliance check, additional uses included in the document, changes in self classification, exclusion of environmental risks. The above changes did not affect the initial concerns for any of the substances. For the remaining entries the MSC has provided an opinion in the past and considers this as still valid. In its assessment MSC did not identify any reason for not including all the substances in the CoRAP update. The draft CoRAP update table (Annex) includes the MSC conclusion for every new substance on whether or not the substance should be selected for substance evaluation.

# PROCESS FOR ADOPTION OF THE OPINION

MSC nominated the rapporteur and co-rapporteur at MSC-75 to draft its opinion. On 1 December 2021 ECHA secretariat requested MSC to provide an opinion on the draft CoRAP update. The MSC discussed the draft CoRAP update at MSC-76, and the opinion was adopted in written procedure on 21 February 2022.

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### **ANNEX**

Table of substances representing the draft CoRAP update 2022-2024 including criteria used for the proposal (grounds for concern/selection criteria met), legal basis and conclusion of MSC on application of selection criteria.