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SIMPLIFIED REGULATIONS AND DEROGATIONS COVID-19

HOLLAND

The Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management has extended temporary exemptions for the marketing of hand disinfectants to cover those for professional uses in all sectors. The new exemptions will be applicable until 27 November.

CANADA

In addition to the eleven types of disinfectants already approved, Health Canada has allowed the temporary use of technical grade ethanol, which has lower purity standards than the typical sanitizer for food or pharmaceutical use, due to the high demands during the Covid pandemic- 19. Companies must have a written authorization before providing them and comply with additional labeling and information requirements.

USA

The U.S. EPA has ordered a chemical manufacturer in Orange County to stop selling two disinfectants sold in violation of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (Fifra). The company, OCCS Inc, incorrectly labeled the products as registered disinfectants by including an EPA

registration number on the label that had been assigned to another registered biocide, they were also sold on several online markets. The EPA is committed to taking action against those who do not comply with safety and efficacy standards.

PHILIPPINES

The Philippine FDA ordered a chemical manufacturer to stop selling a batch of sanitizing solution containing 70% isopropyl alcohol as after an agency evaluation it contained approximately 45% hypopropyl alcohol and methanol (considered toxic). The FDA therefore recommends purchasing only hand sanitizers and rubbing products with approved alcohol.

Women's Voices for the Earth (WVE), a US environmental health NGO, has released a toolkit of resources on the safe use of disinfectants in schools. Parents and guardians should use it to convince schools to use safer alternatives to quaternary ammonium (quat) compounds, which WVE warns are linked to adverse health effects including asthma, dermatitis, reproductive effects and the spread of antimicrobial bacteria. For the article press the button below

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BAFS OFFERS RESEARCHERS ACCESS TO ACTIVE SUBSTANCES TO FIND COVID-19 TREATMENT

The chemical giant BASF offers academic researchers free access to 150 active substances in its database, which could be possible candidates for the treatment of patients with Covid-19. The company said that to quickly identify an active ingredient suitable for the treatment of coronavirus, academic institutions around the world test the effectiveness of approved drugs that are already used to treat other viral diseases, which however may not be effective enough. BASF said that in allowing researchers to use the substances for research, it will not make any patent applications. The move is part of the company's "Helping Hands" initiative, which includes donating disinfectants and personal protective equipment (PPE) to combat the coronavirus Covid-19 pandemic. Many other chemical companies, including Clariant, Dow and DSM, have also donated PPE and disinfectants. In March, 15 companies decided to share their molecular compound libraries that already have some degree of safety and activity data to quickly select them for potential use against Covid-19. Companies include Bayer, Johnson & Johnson, Merck, GSK, Novartis and Pfizer. The collaboration was initiated by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. For more infos press the button below

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RUSSIA PUBLISHES THE INVENTORY OF EXISTING CHEMICAL PRODUCTS

On June 15, the Russian Ministry of Industry and Trade published part of the Russian inventory of existing chemicals on the country's exchange platform (GISP). Since the deadline for notification of the existing chemical inventory in the country has been postponed to August 1, 2020 following the COVID-19 epidemic, companies are still authorized to submit applications for the moment. The establishment of the Russian inventory is part of the initiatives aimed at facilitating the imminent implementation of the technical regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union on the safety of chemical products no. 41 (TR EAEU 041/2017)

[3], a.k.a. EURASIA REACH. The other four countries of the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) will also develop their inventory of existing chemicals. The inventories together will form a common one for the EAEU. After the entry into force of TR EAEU 041/2017, all chemicals that are not listed in the inventory will be considered as new substances and subject to complicated notification requirements before they can be placed on the EAEU market. For more infos press the button below

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BPC RECOMMENDS THE APPROVAL OF THREE ACTIVE SUBSTANCES

The BPC, in addition to the recommendation of the three active substances, also includes esbiothrin, which should not be approved for use in insecticides and acaricides, as it poses an unacceptable risk to human health. In particular, the active substances under approval are:

- Carbon dioxide generated by propane, butane or a mixture of both by combustion by product type 19 (repellents and attractants);
- Active chlorine generated by sodium chloride by electrolysis for product types 1 (human hygiene), 2 (disinfectants and algacides not intended for direct application on humans or animals), 3 (veterinary hygiene), 4 (food area and feed) and 5 (drinking water); is
- Active chlorine released by hypochlorous acid for product types 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

For exbiothrin, the opinion of the committee is that it cannot be approved for product type 18 as it degrades in the presence of light to genotoxic substances that can damage DNA. In addition, biocides containing permethrin should not be approved as they have an unacceptable environmental risk. The European Commission together with the EU Member States will take the final decision on the approval of active substances and on the Union authorization of biocidal families.

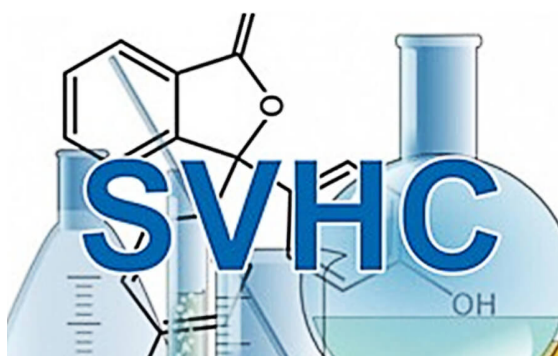
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CANDIDATE LIST UPDATE

Of the four added substances, three are toxic for reproduction, which are used in industrial processes to produce polymers, reference products and plastics, respectively, and one is an endocrine destructor, that is used in consumer products such as cosmetics. The substances inserted are:

- 1-vinylimidazole
- 2-methylimidazole
- Dibutylbis (pentane-2,4-dionato-O, O')
- Butyl 4-hydroxybenzoate (Butylparaben)



The candidate list includes extremely dangerous substances that can have serious effects on health and environment. In the future, these substances could be included in the list of authorizations, which means that companies will have to request an authorization in order to use them. Of each of the 209 substances on the SVHC list, a large majority are carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic to reproduction. Many of these substances have several dangerous properties.

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