

## COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

of 30 May 2008

**on risk reduction measures for the substances 2,3-epoxypropyltrimethylammonium chloride (EPTAC), (3-chloro-2-hydroxypropyl) trimethylammonium chloride (CHPTAC) and hexachlorocyclopentadiene**

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2008/472/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 of 23 March 1993 on the evaluation and control of the risks of existing substances <sup>(1)</sup> and in particular Article 11(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In the framework of Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 the following substances have been identified as priority substances for evaluation in accordance with Commission Regulations (EC) No 143/97 <sup>(2)</sup> and (EC) No 2364/2000 <sup>(3)</sup> respectively concerning the third and fourth list of priority substances as foreseen under Regulation (EEC) No 793/93:

- 2,3-epoxypropyltrimethylammonium chloride (EPTAC),
- (3-chloro-2-hydroxypropyl) trimethylammonium chloride (CHPTAC),
- hexachlorocyclopentadiene.

(2) The rapporteur Member States designated pursuant to those Regulations have completed the risk evaluation activities with regard to man and the environment for those substances in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 of 28 June 1994 laying down the principles for the assessment of risks to man and the environment of existing substances in accordance with Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 <sup>(4)</sup> and have suggested a strategy for limiting the risks.

(3) The Scientific Committee on Health and Environmental Risks (SCHER) has been consulted and has issued opinions with respect to the risk evaluations carried

out by the rapporteurs. The opinions have been published on the website of the Scientific Committee.

- (4) The results of the risk evaluation and further results of the strategies for limiting the risks are set out in the corresponding Commission Communication <sup>(5)</sup>.
- (5) It is appropriate, on the basis of that evaluation, to recommend certain risk reduction measures for certain substances. For the substances which are not specifically listed, there are no recommendations for the addressees of this Recommendation.
- (6) The risk reduction measures recommended for workers should be considered within the framework of the legislation for workers' protection, which is considered to provide an adequate framework to limit the risks of the relevant substances to the extent needed.
- (7) The risk reduction measures provided for in this recommendation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee set up pursuant to Article 15(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 793/93,

HEREBY RECOMMENDS:

## SECTION 1

**2,3-EPOXYPROPYLTRIMETHYLAMMONIUM CHLORIDE (EPTAC)**

(CAS No 3033-77-0; Eines No 221-221-0)

**Risk reduction measures for workers (1) and the environment (2)**

1. Employers using EPTAC in manufacturing and as a cationisation agent in the cationisation of starches should take note of any sector specific guidance developed at national level based on the practical non-binding guidelines, drawn up by the Commission pursuant to Article 12(2) of Council Directive 98/24/EC <sup>(6)</sup> (Chemical Agents Directive).

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 84, 5.4.1993, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 284, 31.10.2003, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 25, 28.1.1997, p. 13.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 273, 26.10.2000, p. 5.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 161, 29.6.1994, p. 3.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ C 157, 21.6.2008, p. 10.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 131, 5.5.1998, p. 11. Directive as modified by Directive 2007/30/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 165, 27.6.2007, p. 21).

2. Local emissions to the environment of EPTAC should, where necessary, be controlled by national rules to ensure that no risk for the environment is expected.

#### SECTION 2

#### **(3-CHLORO-2-HYDROXYPROPYL) TRIMETHYLAMMONIUM CHLORIDE (CHPTAC)**

(CAS No 3327-22-8; Eines No 222-048-3)

#### **Risk reduction measures for workers (3) and the environment (4)**

3. Employers using CHPTAC as a cationisation agent in the cationisation of starches should take note of any sector specific guidance developed at national level based on the practical non-binding guidelines, drawn up by the Commission pursuant to Article 12(2) of Directive 98/24/EC.

4. Local emissions to the environment of CHPTAC should, where necessary, be controlled by national rules to ensure that no risk for the environment is expected.

#### SECTION 3

#### **ADDRESSEES**

5. This Recommendation is addressed to all sectors importing, producing, transporting, storing, formulating into a preparation or other processing, using, disposing or recovering the substances and to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 30 May 2008.

*For the Commission*

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