



Public Consultation Stage on the New Batch of Proposed Substances of Very High Concern

March 3, 2020, Member States of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) proposed 5 new substances to be identified as SVHCs. Deadline for commenting is April 17, 2020. All interested parties are invited to submit comments during the public consultation. The approved proposed substances will be regarded as the 23th batch of substances in SVHC candidate list. When the public consultation ended, if the 5 substances were accepted, there will be 210 substances listed on the SVHCs.



The 5 proposed substances listed as following:

Substance Name	EC No.	CAS No.	Reason for proposing	Possible use
1-vinylimidazole	214-012-0	1072-63-5	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)	Hardener for resin materials, photochemical reagents, cores of resin inclusions, also used in the petroleum industry and as polymers
2-methylimidazole	211-765-7	693-98-1	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)	It is used in the production of pharmaceutical intermediates such as metronidazole, and is used as a curing agent for epoxy resins.
Butyl 4-hydroxybenzoate	202-318-7	94-26-8	Endocrine disrupting properties (Article 57(f) – human health)	It is used for preservatives in daily chemical industry, medicine and food industry, as well as antiseptics for grease, starch paste, rubber solution, perfume, film, etc.
Dibutylbis(pentane-2,4-dionato-O,O')tin	245-152-0	22673-19-4	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)	Mainly used as room temperature silicone rubber curing catalyst, especially suitable for deacetylated silicone products. It can also be used as a polyurethane coating catalyst.



Resorcinol	203-585-2	108-46-3	Endocrine disrupting properties (Article 57(f) – human health)	Used in dye industry, plastic industry, medicine, rubber, etc.
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For details, please click: [ECHA Website](#)

According to REACH, if SVHC is contained in products in a concentration that greater than 0.1% and the volume for export is less than 1 tonne, downstream importers shall be notified with such information for communication and also provided with certifications. However, if SVHC is contained in products in a concentration that greater than 0.1% and the volume for export is more than 1 tonne, notification of such information to ECHA is necessary.

HCT Solutions :

HCT reminds enterprises, especially manufactures, importers and suppliers of these substances should understand and master new information requirements timely, Meanwhile, to reduce unnecessary trade losses, we should ensure products' safety by enhancing quality control of original materials and seeking for safer alternative substances. HCT, possessing wide testing fields and convenient service channels, can help enterprises assess regulated specific chemical substances in products. Thus enterprises can successfully import products to designed target countries.

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