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MEMBER STATE COMMITTEE AGREE ON FIRST REACH TESTING DECISION

The Member State Committee agreed unanimously on a testing proposal from ECHA which was submitted under the REACH regulation at its meeting in Helsinki on 3 December. This is the first time that the Committee has discussed such a proposal. They agreed that the registrant should have to carry out tests for

- Viscosity
- Aquatic toxicity (*Daphnia magna* long term toxicity)
- Repeated dose toxicity and
- Reproductive toxicity.

The Committee discussed thoroughly the registrant's proposal to use read-across from another substance, instead of testing the repeated dose toxicity and reproductive toxicity. All members of the Committee agreed, after an exchange of views on the basis of scientific arguments and the requirements of the REACH Regulation, that the tests are necessary. The conclusion of this discussion was that the registrant had not provided enough justification for the read across and that the hazards of the registered substance could therefore not be concluded on that basis.

ECHA will make the final decision in accordance with the Committee's unanimous agreement and the decision will be addressed to the registrant.

Further Information

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