



Silver Advocacy Task Force webinar

3 February 2020 (14:00-15:30 CET) – draft Summary

1. Welcome and Introduction

France Capon welcomed the participants, reminding confidentiality rules, competition law and presenting the agenda of the webinar.

2. Status of silver and silver nitrate CLH proposal

France Capon presented an overview of the CLH process and the best estimated timing at this stage. ECHA rejected during the accordance checks the silver dossiers and Kemi is expected to resubmit an updated version anytime. So far, ECHA did not receive an updated version of the CLH dossiers. This means that the public consultation and RAC opinion are delayed. The RAC opinion could be available at the earliest in October 2021 which starts now to better match with the EOGRTs. The tactic is still to continue delaying this CLH process via a series of advocacy activities which are ongoing and listed in the presentation on slide 7.

3. Status of the science

Jelle Mertens updated the participants on the status of the science starting by the TK and EOGRTs studies. Outlining once again how these tests will inform the read-across strategy and fill in the existing data gap (see slides 9-12).

He also informed the Task Force on the latest discussions which are ongoing with Kemi related to the carcinogenicity endpoint (see slides 13-21).

Question: will the TK study conducted by EPMF help the discussion on carcinogenicity and answer the question related to the read-across between zeolite and non-zeolite substance? No, this study will not answer this question since the study covers only the substances of interest for EPMF (non-zeolites). However, ESTF (the European Silver Task Force), in charge of the BPR, is considering to conduct TK studies on Zeolites substances.

4. Eftec impact assessment: questionnaire

Adams Koshy (eftec) informed the participants on the status of this project which aims to identify and quantify the impact of a potential classification of silver and silver compounds as reprotox cat 1B.

The project is now in the phase of collecting data via two questionnaires: one dedicated to the Manufacturers/Importers and the other one dedicated to the Downstream users (the later one has been updated on the EPMF website and will be circulated again with the minutes of this call).

Adams Koshy presented the questionnaires and some key features (see slides 22-34) to help companies to fill them in.

The following questions have been addressed:

- Confidentiality: eftec signed with EPMF a confidentiality agreement and put in place all the necessary measures to protect the data sent by the respondents. If data cannot be safely aggregated, there will not be presented in the final report. Regular checks and exchanges with relevant companies/sectors will be organized.
- Regarding Switzerland, the questionnaires allow to make the difference between what is produced/used there and in the EEA.



- Regarding the exposure of the workers, if the handling of the substances is automated this can be described in the relevant sheet of the questionnaires.
- The assessment focuses on substances and mixtures and not on the import of articles containing silver.
- If you have sent the questionnaires to your customers or members and they have questions, please do not hesitate to share the contact details of France Capon and Adams Koshy and to send the explanatory presentation from eftec which will be circulated with these minutes.
- UK: so far, UK is still included under EEA. We will see how to manage this in the future after a better understanding of the future relationship between UK and the EU.

5. Conclusions

France Capon closed the call thanking the participants. The date of the next webinar is not yet fixed due to the uncertainty regarding the CLH timing. Regarding the Impact Assessment, the next webinar will be organized in May on a sectorial basis. EPMF will keep you posted.



Annex 1: Participants

1.	Peter	Abbott	BAE Systems
2.	Wasma	Al-Husainy	Shell International B.V
3.	Lisa	Allen	Pb REACH Consortium
4.	Pernilla	Amprazis	Volvo Cars
5.	Alain	Auffret	PUIFORCAT
6.	Martin	Baker	AGOSI
7.	Malte	Becker	AiDUO sprl
8.	Sofia	Beltrao	FRANCECLAT
9.	Susanne	Beneddine	TETENAL 1847 GmbH
10.	Andreas	Bohnenkamp	ZVO
11.	Victor	Blanco	Airbus Defense and Space
12.	C.	Bogni	?
13.	Francisco	Boo	Metalor Technologies
14.	Gustaaf	Bos	Gustaaf Bos Consulting
15.	Roland	Brasch	Heraeus
16.	Wolfgang	Brauer	Tetenal 1847
17.	Raphaële	Bro-Capron	Jacobi Carbons
18.	Nathalie	Buijs	MedTech Europe
19.	Arno	Buthe	Heraeus
20.	France	Capon	EPMF
21.	Ingrid	Chabroud	COOKSON CLAL
22.	Aliye	Cingoz	Agfa Gevaert
23.	Daniela	Cholakova	Aurubis
24.	Tara	Conley	Thomson Research Associates, Inc.
25.	Juliane	Dannroth	RWM GmbH
26.	Phillip	Davison	Davison Consultants Ltd
27.	Eliot	Deag	Johnson Matthey
28.	Jan	Dekker	Alpha Assembly Solutions
29.	Michael	DiRienzo	The Silver Institute
30.	Arjan	Donatz	Caldic Chemie B.V.
31.	Sylvaine	Duarri D'Haene	Umicore
32.	Herbert	Fuchs	Heraeus Holding GmbH
33.	Maurice	Funcken	Nissan Europe



34.	Andrea	Gabba	Portovesme		
35.	Rob	Garrett	Ames Goldsmith		
36.	Kolapo	Gbadebori	SAFINA, a.s.		
37.	Elena	Genero	CRF SCpA		
38.	Andrew	Goodyear	ERM		
39.	Rikki	Gordon	Johnson Matthey		
40.	Kerrill	Grealy	Meggitt PLC		
41.	Clare	Green	Kodak Alaris		
42.	Thomas	Green	Unilever		
43.	Marc	Greggio	La.Met		
44.	Sabine	Gregorowius	FUJIFILM Europe GmbH		
45.	María Begoña	Guzmán-Graf	Bolta Werke GmbH		
46.	Shane	Hart	LBMA		
47.	Ian	Harwood	Rockwell Automation		
48.	Mark	Heijl	Johnson Matthey Technologies B.V.	Advanced	Glass
49.	Ross	Heubner	Yordas Group		
50.	S.	Hope	?		
51.	Michael	Huber	C. Hafner		
52.	Nanako	Ide	Subaru Europe		
53.	Miriam	Jacob tor Weihen	COVENTYA Beteiligungs GmbH		
54.	Jan	Janssen	Chrysal International		
55.	Juliana	Karall	WKO		
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57.	Trevor	Keel	Silver Institute		
58.	Hülya	Kiraz	Arcelik		
59.	Norbert	Koester- Beestermoeller	Tetenal 1847		
60.	Rodolfo	Konig	Nissan		
61.	Adams	Koshy	eftec		
62.	A.	Lauritzen	?		
63.	Marie-Laure	Ledrich	consul-led		
64.	Alexandra	Levesque	PX Group		
65.	Juliana	Mafra	Umicore		
66.	Stephane	Marcotte	Hermès		



67.	Neil	McGuire	Johnson Matthey
68.	Jelle	Mertens	EPMF
69.	Kirsten	Metz	ZVEI - German Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers' Association
70.	Mitchell	Moonier	IPMI
71.	Joern	Muehlenfeld	Aurubis AG
72.	Peter	Oliver	La.Met
73.	Wieslaw	Piatkiewicz	Non Ferrous Alliance
74.	Bertrand	Pillot	Francéclat
75.	Véronique	Reilly	Francéclat
76.	Christoph	Röhlich	Heraeus Deutschland GmbH&Co.KG
77.	Audrey	Rondepierre	EPMF
78.	Raffaele	Rossi	SolarPower Europe
79.	Peter	Sansom	HARMAN technology Ltd
80.	Ilse	Scheperkeuter	Glencore
81.	Marylise	Schmid	WindEurope
82.	Raphaël	Schwarz	Fédération de l'Industrie Horlogère Suisse
83.	Catherine	Sheffield	Fieldfisher LLP
84.	Clémence	Siret	Saft
85.	Dorothea	Steiger	Heraeus Holding GmbH
86.	Jürgen	Steinhäuser	ELESTA GmbH
87.	James	Stevens	Rud Pedersen
88.	York Alexander	Tetzlaff	Fachvereinigung Edelmetalle e. V. (FVEM)
89.	Michael	Thiel	BASF
90.	Patrick	Van den Bosch	Agoria
91.	Peter	Van Der Linde	Holland Water B.V.
92.	Astrid	van der Meer	Chrysal International BV
93.	Frits	Van der Veer	Shell Catalysts & Technologies
94.	Dirk	Van Goethem	ABB Industrial Solutions Belgium
95.	Koen	Van Maldegem	fieldfisher
96.	Ian	Watt	EU BPR Silver Task Force
97.	Sandra	Wernecke	Ford Werke GmbH
98.	David	Wilkinson	Sumitomo Corporation
99.	Peter	Wilson	?
100.	Malte	Zimmer	ZVO e.V.