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# **SUMMARY**

The following details will be published on the AICIS website:

| ASSESSMENT<br>REFERENCE | APPLICANT(S)                                       | CHEMICAL OR<br>TRADE NAME | HAZARDOUS<br>CHEMICAL | INTRODUCTION<br>VOLUME    | USE  |
|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|
| STD/1735                | Chemicalia Pty<br>Ltd.<br>Era Polymers<br>Pty Ltd. | Aldirez A                 | Yes                   | ≤ 100 tonnes<br>per annum | Accelerator, cross-<br>linker, moisture<br>scavenger and latent<br>curing agent for<br>industrial surface<br>coatings, sealants and<br>adhesives |

# **CONCLUSIONS AND REGULATORY OBLIGATIONS**

### **Hazard Classification**

Based on the available information, the assessed chemical is a hazardous chemical according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals* (GHS), as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia. The hazard classification applicable to the assessed chemical is presented in the following table.

| Hazard Classification                   | Hazard Statement                               |
|---|--|
| Sensitisation, Skin (Category 1)        | H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction     |
| Skin corrosion/Irritation (Category 1C) | H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage |
| Flammable liquid (Category 4)           | H227 – Combustible liquid                      |

The environmental hazard classification according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals* (GHS) is presented below. Environmental classification under the GHS is not mandated in Australia and carries no legal status but is presented for information purposes.

| Hazard classification | Hazard statement               |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Acute (Category 3)    | H402 - Harmful to aquatic life |

# **Human Health Risk Assessment**

Provided that the recommended controls are being adhered to, under the conditions of the occupational settings described, the assessed chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the health of workers.

When used in the proposed manner, the assessed chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to public health.

### **Environmental Risk Assessment**

On the basis of the reported use pattern, the assessed chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the environment.

### Recommendations

REGULATORY CONTROLS

Hazard Classification and Labelling

- The assessed chemical should be classified as follows:
  - Sensitisation, Skin (Category 1): H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction
  - Skin Corrosion/Irritation (Category 1C): H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
  - Flammable liquid (Category 4): H227 Combustible liquid

The above should be used for products/mixtures containing the assessed chemical, if applicable, based on the concentration of the assessed chemical present.

### Health Surveillance

As the assessed chemical is a skin sensitiser, employers should carry out health surveillance for any
worker who has been identified in the workplace risk assessment as having a significant risk of skin
sensitisation.

### CONTROL MEASURES

### Occupational Health and Safety

- A person conducting a business or undertaking at a workplace should implement the following engineering controls to minimise occupational exposure to the assessed chemical:
  - Enclosed/automated processes, where possible
- A person conducting a business or undertaking at a workplace should implement the following safe work practices to minimise occupational exposure during handling of the assessed chemical:
  - Avoid contact with skin and eyes
  - Avoid inhalation of aerosols
  - Remove all sources of ignition
- A person conducting a business or undertaking at a workplace should ensure that the following personal protective equipment is used by workers to minimise occupational exposure to the assessed chemical:
  - Impervious gloves
  - Safety glasses or goggles
  - Respiratory protection if inhalation exposure may occur
  - Protective clothing
  - Chemical resistant boots

Guidance in selection of personal protective equipment can be obtained from Australian, Australian/New Zealand or other approved standards.

- Spray applications should be carried out in accordance with the Safe Work Australia Code of Practice for *Spray Painting and Powder Coating* (SWA, 2015) or relevant State or Territory Code of Practice.
- A copy of the SDS should be easily accessible to employees.
- If products and mixtures containing the assessed chemical are classified as hazardous to health in accordance with the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals* (GHS) as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia, workplace practices and control procedures consistent with provisions of State and Territory hazardous substances legislation should be in operation.

# Transport and Packaging

• Due to the combustibility of the assessed chemical, introducers of the chemical should consider their obligations under *Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail* (ADG code) (NTC, 2018).

# Storage

• The handling and storage of the assessed chemical should be in accordance with the Safe Work Australia Code of Practice for *Managing Risks of Hazardous Chemicals in the Workplace* (SWA, 2012) or relevant State or Territory Code of Practice.

### Emergency procedures

• Spills or accidental release of the assessed chemical should be handled by physical containment, collection and subsequent safe disposal.

# Disposal

• Where reuse or recycling are not appropriate, dispose of the assessed chemical in an environmentally sound manner in accordance with relevant Commonwealth, state, territory and local government legislation.

### **Regulatory Obligations**

Specific Requirements to Provide Information

This risk assessment is based on the information available at the time of the application. The Executive Director may initiate an evaluation of the chemical based on changes in certain circumstances. Under Section 101 of the IC Act the applicant of the assessed chemical has post-assessment regulatory obligations to provide information to AICIS when any of these circumstances change. These obligations apply even when the assessed chemical is listed on the Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (the Inventory).

Therefore, the Executive Director of AICIS must be notified in writing within 20 working days by the applicant or other introducers if:

- the function or use of the chemical has changed from accelerator, cross-linker, moisture scavenger and latent curing agent for industrial surface coatings, sealants and adhesives, or is likely to change significantly;
- finished products containing the chemical have become available to the public for end use;
- the amount of chemical being introduced has increased, or is likely to increase, significantly;
- the chemical has begun to be manufactured in Australia;
- additional information has become available to the person as to an adverse effect of the chemical on human health, or the environment.

The Executive Director will then decide whether an evaluation of the introduction is required.

## Safety Data Sheet

The SDS of the assessed chemical and products containing the assessed chemical provided by the applicant were reviewed by AICIS. The accuracy of the information on the SDS remains the responsibility of the applicant.

# **ASSESSMENT DETAILS**

### 1. APPLICANT AND APPLICATION DETAILS

APPLICANT(S)

Chemicalia Pty Ltd (ABN: 17 100 190 270)

7 Cremin Court

**MOUNT WAVERLEY VIC 3149** 

Era Polymers Pty Ltd (ABN: 14 003 055 936)

25-27 Green Street

**EAST BOTANY NSW 2019** 

APPLICATION CATEGORY

Standard: Chemical other than polymer (more than 1 tonne per year)

PROTECTED INFORMATION (SECTION 38 OF THE TRANSITIONAL ACT)

Data items and details taken to be protected information include: chemical name, specific other names, CAS number, molecular and structural formulae, molecular weight, analytical data, degree of purity, impurities, import volume, and identity of recipients.

VARIATION OF DATA REQUIREMENTS (SECTION 6 OF THE TRANSITIONAL RULES)

Schedule data requirements are varied for acute inhalation toxicity, eye irritation, genotoxic damage in vivo and bioaccumulation.

PREVIOUS APPLICATION IN AUSTRALIA BY APPLICANT(S) None

APPLICATION IN OTHER COUNTRIES EU REACH (2018) New Zealand (2010) Switzerland (2014) USA (2009)

# 2. IDENTITY OF CHEMICAL

MARKETING NAME(S) Aldirez A

MOLECULAR WEIGHT < 1000 g/mol

ANALYTICAL DATA

Reference NMR, IR, UV spectra were provided.

# 3. COMPOSITION

DEGREE OF PURITY > 95%

# 4. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE AT 20 °C AND 101.3 kPa: Colourless to yellowish liquid

| Property         | Value  | Data Source/Justification |  |
|------------------|--|---------------------------|--|
| Melting Range    | -66.0 to -62.2 °C                                    | Measured                  |  |
| Boiling Point    | 232.4 °C   | Measured                  |  |
| Density          | $833 \text{ kg/m}^3 \text{ at } 20 ^{\circ}\text{C}$ | Measured                  |  |
| Vapour Pressure  | 0.063 kPa at 25 °C                                   | Measured                  |  |
| Water Solubility | Not determined                                       | Hydrolytically unstable   |  |

| Property                    | Value   | Data Source/Justification                 |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Hydrolysis as a Function of | $\underline{t}_{1/2}$ < 5 minutes at pH 4, 7 and 9 at | Measured                                  |
| pН                          | 25°C  |   |
| Partition Coefficient       | Not determined  | Hydrolytically unstable                   |
| (n-octanol/water)           |   |   |
| Surface Tension             | 48.07 nM/m at 20 °C                                   | Measured                                  |
|                             | (surface active)                                      |   |
| Adsorption/Desorption       | Not determined  | Hydrolytically unstable                   |
| Dissociation Constant       | Not determined  | Has no dissociable functionality, but     |
|                             |   | rapidly hydrolyses to form degradation    |
|                             |   | products that have cationic functionality |
| Flash Point                 | 81.5 °C (closed cup)                                  | Measured                                  |
| Flammability                | Category 4 combustible liquid                         | Based on measured flash point             |
| Autoignition Temperature    | 239 °C  | Measured                                  |
| Explosive Properties        | Not determined  | Contains no functional groups that would  |
|                             |   | imply explosive properties                |
| Oxidising Properties        | Not determined  | Contains no functional groups that would  |
|                             |   | imply oxidative properties                |

#### DISCUSSION OF PROPERTIES

For details of tests on physical and chemical properties, refer to Appendix A.

### Reactivity

The assessed chemical hydrolyses quickly in contact with water or moisture in the air, releasing isobutyraldehyde (CAS No. 78-84-4) and hazardous amine type compounds. During the end use of the products containing the assessed chemical, the released amines are expected to be cross-linked into the polymer matrix and the aldehyde is likely to evaporate into the air.

The assessed chemical is expected to be stable under normal conditions of use.

# Physical Hazard Classification

Based on the submitted physico-chemical data depicted in the above table, the assessed chemical is recommended for physical hazard classification according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)*, as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia. The recommended hazard classification is presented in the following table.

| Hazard Classification          | Hazard Statement          |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Flammable Liquids (Category 4) | H227 – Combustible liquid |

# 5. INTRODUCTION AND USE INFORMATION

MODE OF INTRODUCTION OF ASSESSED CHEMICAL (100%) OVER NEXT 5 YEARS

The assessed chemical will not be manufactured in Australia. It will be imported as Aldirez A (neat form of the assessed chemical) in 25 L steel pails or 200 L steel drums.

Maximum Introduction Volume of Assessed Chemical (100%) Over Next 5 Years

| Year   | 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Tonnes | ≤ 100 | ≤ 100 | ≤ 100 | ≤ 100 | ≤ 100 |

### PORT OF ENTRY

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth

### TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING

The product containing the neat form of the assessed chemical will be imported into Australia by sea in 25 L steel pails or 200 L steel drums and stored on pallets containing up to 800 kg product. It will be transported by road, using registered carriers for dangerous goods, to contracted third party warehouses. It will be distributed from these premises by road to a number of surface coatings, adhesives and sealants manufacturers.

#### USE

The assessed chemical will be used as an accelerator, cross-linker and moisture scavenger in the manufacture of 2-component polyurethane and polyaspartic surface coatings, adhesives and sealants at concentration up to 100%, and as a latent curing agent in 1-component epoxy resin surface coatings, adhesives and sealants at concentration up to 25%.

### OPERATION DESCRIPTION

The product containing the assessed chemical will be distributed to formulators for reformulation into polyurethane, polyaspartic and epoxy resin surface coatings, adhesives and sealants.

At the reformulation sites, the product containing the assessed chemical will be pumped by an operator into closed mixing vessels where it will be blended with other raw materials. During mixing, quality assurance (QA) chemists will take aliquots of samples for testing. Once blending is complete, Part A of 2-component polyurethane and polyaspartic coatings and sealants/adhesives (containing the assessed chemical at 3% to 100% concentration) and 1-component epoxy resins (containing the assessed chemical at 1% to 25% concentration) will be packed in a variety of packages ranging from 0.025 L cartridges or cans to 200 L drums.

End-users in industrial coatings, adhesive and sealant application industries will apply the 2-component polyurethane and polyaspartic coatings/sealants/adhesives (following combination with the Part B curing agent containing polyisocyanates) or 1-component epoxy resins by spray, roller, trowel or similar methods onto fabricated steel products, concrete floors, and metal or concrete joints. During curing at ambient temperature, the assessed chemical will react with water present in the coating or air. No assessed chemical is expected to remain in the final dry formulations.

### 6. HUMAN HEALTH IMPLICATIONS

### 6.1. Exposure Assessment

### 6.1.1. Occupational Exposure

### CATEGORY OF WORKERS

| Category of Worker               | Exposure Duration (hours/day) | Exposure Frequency (days/year) |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Stevedores                       | 3                             | 10-15                          |
| Transport workers                | 6                             | 260                            |
| Distribution workers             | 4                             | 260                            |
| Warehouse staff                  | 6                             | 260                            |
| Production operators             | 6                             | 260                            |
| Quality control technicians      | 6                             | 260                            |
| Cleaning and maintenance workers | 4                             | 260                            |
| Surface coatings applicators     | 6                             | 260                            |
| Adhesive/sealants applicators    | 6                             | 240                            |

### **EXPOSURE DETAILS**

### Transport and storage

Exposure of transport and storage workers to the assessed chemical is not expected, except in the event of accidental spill or breach of container.

### Reformulation

Dermal and ocular exposure to the assessed chemical at concentrations ranging from 3% to 100% are likely to be the main routes of potential exposure that may occur during manual weighing, connecting and disconnecting spear pumps, charging the blending vessels, blending, sampling from the blending vessel and routine cleaning and maintenance of equipment. Given that the assessed chemical has relatively low vapour pressure, significant inhalation exposure is not expected, unless aerosols or mists are formed during the mixing processes.

The applicant states that exposure to the assessed chemical is expected to be minimised through the use of engineering controls such as local exhaust ventilation, and suitable personal protective equipment (PPE) capable of protecting workers from exposure to the assessed chemical including safety googles, gloves, protective clothing and footwear.

End-use in 2-component polyurethane and polyaspartic coatings and sealants/adhesives

Dermal, ocular and inhalation exposure to the assessed chemical at concentrations ranging from 3% to 100% are expected to be the main routes of potential exposure that may occur when manually connecting the product containers to the 2-component mixer and application equipment, and during routine cleaning and maintenance of application equipment. When coatings containing the assessed chemical are applied by spray, respirable aerosols or mists are likely to form.

The applicant states that exposure of operators to the assessed chemical is expected to be minimised through the use of engineering controls such as local exhaust ventilation, and suitable PPE including protective breathing apparatus, googles, clothing, gloves and footwear. Inhalation exposure during application will be minimised by conducting spray and similar operations within application booths with local exhaust ventilation/extraction. Should personnel be required to work within the booths they will wear a full body suit equipped with an air makeup hood.

Following curing at ambient temperature, the assessed chemical will react with water present in the products or air typically within 1 hour. Isobutyraldehyde may be released into the air during curing period. No assessed chemical is expected to remain in the final dry formulations.

### End-use in 1-component epoxy resins

Dermal, ocular and inhalation exposure to the assessed chemical at concentrations ranging from 1% to 25% are expected to be the main routes of potential exposure that may occur when manually connecting the product containers to the application equipment, and during routine cleaning and maintenance. When coatings containing the assessed chemical are applied by spray, respirable aerosols and mists may form.

The applicant states that dermal and ocular exposure of operators to the assessed chemicals will be reduced through the use of engineering controls such as local exhaust ventilation in application areas, and the use of suitable PPE including protective googles, clothing, gloves and footwear. Inhalation exposure during spray application will be minimised by operating within application booths with local exhaust ventilation/extraction. Should personnel be required to work within the booths they will wear a full body suit equipped with an air makeup hood.

Following curing at ambient temperature, the assessed chemical will react with water present in the products or air typically within 8 hours. Isobutyraldehye may be released into the air during the curing period. No assessed chemical is expected to remain in the final dry formulations.

### 6.1.2. Public Exposure

The assessed chemical will be for industrial use only and will not be made available to the public. Surface coatings and adhesives/sealants containing the assessed chemical are not expected to be available to the general public for any DIY application.

The public may come into contact with finished articles to which surface coatings, adhesives and sealants have been applied; however, once the end use product has cured, no assessed chemical is expected to remain within the final dry formulation.

# 6.2. Human Health Effects Assessment

The results from toxicological investigations conducted on the assessed chemical are summarised in the following table. Since the assessed chemical hydrolyses rapidly in contact with water, under the conditions of the studies the reported toxicity effects were likely caused by the degradants of the chemical. For details of the studies, refer to Appendix B.

| Endpoint  | Result and Assessment Conclusion    |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Acute oral toxicity – rat   | LD50 > 2000 mg/kg bw; low toxicity  |
| Acute dermal toxicity – rat   | LD50 > 2000  mg/kg bw; low toxicity |
| Skin irritation – <i>in vitro</i> EpiDermTM                         | corrosive or irritating             |
| Skin irritation – rabbit  | corrosive                           |
| Skin sensitisation – mouse local lymph node assay                   | evidence of sensitisation           |
| Repeat dose oral toxicity – rat, 28 days                            | NOAEL = 609  mg/kg bw/day           |
| Mutagenicity – bacterial reverse mutation                           | equivocal                           |
| Genotoxicity – <i>in vitro</i> mammalian chromosome aberration test | non genotoxic                       |
| Genotoxicity – in vitro mammalian cell gene mutation assay          | non genotoxic                       |
| Reproductive and developmental toxicity – rat                       | NOAEL = 750  mg/kg bw/day           |

### Toxicokinetics, Metabolism and Distribution

In contact with body fluids or moisture, the assessed chemical is expected to release isobutyaldehyde and amine compounds. Results from sub-acute oral toxicity studies showed changes to haematology parameters demonstrating possibility of absorption via the oral route. Disregarding hydrolysis of the chemical, absorption via the respiratory route is considered less likely due to low vapour pressure and water solubility, limiting concentration in the mucus lining of the respiratory tract. Dermal absorption is also not considered likely based on high log Pow and low water solubility. This is supported by results from acute dermal toxicity studies, in which no signs of systemic toxicity were reported.

### Acute Toxicity

Based on studies in rats, the assessed chemical may be of low acute toxicity via the oral and dermal routes. However, diarrhoea and diuresis may occur if the chemical is ingested. Local irritation effects, including erythema and oedema, may also precede if the chemical comes into contact with skin.

No acute inhalation toxicity data are available for the assessed chemical.

#### Irritation and Sensitisation

According to the results of a skin irritation/corrosion assay in rabbits, the assessed chemical is considered corrosive to skin requiring hazard classification. This is supported by an *in vitro* EpiDerm reconstructed human epidermis assay, and local irritation/corrosion effects observed in acute dermal toxicity and skin sensitisation assays.

Testing for eye irritation was not carried out for animal welfare reasons. The chemical is considered to cause severe eye damage based on the skin corrosive characteristics.

There was clear evidence of sensitisation to the assessed chemical in a local lymph node assay (LLNA) using mice, requiring hazard classification.

### Repeated Dose Toxicity

The oral No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) was established by the study authors as 609 mg/kg bw/day in a 28 day repeat dose study in rats, based on the absence of observed adverse effects at this dose level in the study. The assessed chemical was tested at actual 39, 210 and 937 mg/kg bw/day in the animals. The high dose caused one male and one female deaths in a group of 5 males and 5 females, and was reduced to 609 mg/kg bw/day on Day 16. Clinical signs observed in the high dose group before dose reduction included decreased activity, salivation, Straub-tail, nuzzling of bedding and vocalisation. Decreased activity and Straub-tail ceased after the dose reduction. Body weight of the high dose group was reduced, correlating with the food consumption reduction. Other laboratory findings, including clinical chemistry, haematology and organ observations in the test, were considered by the study authors either to be adaption reactions or not to be treatment related.

In a reproductive/developmental toxicity study (according to OECD TG 421), the assessed chemical was tested via oral gavage at 50, 250 and 750 mg/kg bw/day for 40 days in rats. A NOAEL of 250 mg/kg bw/day was established by the study authors for the systemic toxicity in the parental generation of the males and females based on changes in clinical signs, body weight and food consumptions. Clinical signs observed were similar to those noted in the 28-day repeat dose oral toxicity study from the high dose group.

# Mutagenicity/Genotoxicity

The assessed chemical was found to be equivocal in a bacterial reverse mutation assay compliant with OECD TG 471. Some bacterial strains showed increased revertant colony numbers, although some of these increases were within the historical control ranges and there was no clear dose response. However, substantially increased revertant colony numbers above historical control data ranges were observed in the plate incorporation test with S. typhimurium TA 98 at 5000  $\mu$ g/plate without metabolic activation, and in E. coli WP2 uvrA at 5000  $\mu$ g/plate with metabolic activation and 1581  $\mu$ g/plate without metabolic activation. Substantial increases above historical control data ranges were also observed in the pre-incubation test in E. coli WP2 uvrA at 500  $\mu$ g/plate without metabolic activation and 1581  $\mu$ g/plate with metabolic activation. Therefore, the potential of the assessed chemical to cause point mutations cannot be ruled out.

Negative results were observed in an *in vitro* mammalian chromosome aberration test (OECD TG 473) using Chinese hamster V79 (fibroblast) cells and an *in vitro* mammalian cell gene mutation test (OECD TG 476) using Chinse hamster ovary (CHO) cells.

### Toxicity for Reproduction

In the reproductive/development toxicity study mentioned above, the NOAEL was established as 750 mg/kg bw/day, based on the absence of observed adverse effects to reproductive performance in the parental animals and to the development in the offspring, noting that the NOAEL for the systemic toxicity to the parental animals was established at 250 mg/kg bw/day in the same study.

# Health Hazard Classification

Based on the available information, the assessed chemical is a hazardous chemical according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals* (GHS), as adopted for industrial chemicals in Australia. The hazard classification applicable to the assessed chemical is presented in the following table.

| Hazard Classification                   | Hazard Statement                               |
|---|--|
| Sensitisation, Skin (Category 1)        | H317 – May cause an allergic skin reaction     |
| Skin Corrosion/Irritation (Category 1C) | H314 – Causes severe skin burns and eye damage |

# 6.3. Human Health Risk Characterisation

### 6.3.1. Occupational Health and Safety

Based on the available information, the assessed chemical is expected to present a concern for a number of health effects including skin sensitisation, and severe skin/eye irritation.

During reformulation and end-use, exposure of workers to the assessed chemical is expected to be limited given the use of engineering controls (such as enclosed and automated systems, and sufficient ventilation) and PPE (including protective clothing, impervious gloves, safety glasses and respirators). Once the final product (surface coatings, adhesive and sealant) is cured, no assessed chemical is expected to remain in the final dry formulations.

Provided that the recommended controls are being adhered to, under the conditions of the occupational settings described, the assessed chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to the health of workers.

# 6.3.2. Public Health

The assessed chemical is intended for industrial use only and will not be made available to the public. Members of the public may come into contact with cured coatings, adhesives and sealants. However, no assessed chemical is expected to remain in the final dry formulations when the finished products containing the chemical are cured.

When used in the proposed manner, the assessed chemical is not considered to pose an unreasonable risk to public health.

# 7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

# 7.1. Environmental Exposure & Fate Assessment

# 7.1.1. Environmental Exposure

### RELEASE OF CHEMICAL AT SITE

The assessed chemical is imported in a neat form. It will be reformulated into either a 2-component polyurethane and polyaspartic (part A) or a 1-component epoxy resin surface coating, adhesives or sealant. The reformulation process includes blending operation in closed systems followed by packing of the reformulated products into enduse packages. Waste generated during the reformulation process and accidental spills containing the assessed chemical are expected to be collected and disposed of in accordance with state and local government regulations.

### RELEASE OF CHEMICAL FROM USE

The coatings, adhesives and sealants containing the assessed chemical, either as a 2-component (part A) or 1-component product will be applied by spray, roller, trowel or similar methods onto fabricated steel products, concrete floors, and metal or concrete joints. The majority of the coatings, adhesives and sealants containing the assessed chemical are expected to be cured with no significant amount of the assessed chemical remaining on the applied surface. It is expected that some of the coatings will be in the form of overspray during spraying operations, and will typically entail disposal to landfill after being collected and cured. The liquid waste from cleaning of the application equipment is expected to be collected by an approved waste contractor, and be disposed of safely.

During use, the assessed chemical may also be released to the environment as accidental spills. These releases are expected to be collected and disposed of to landfill in accordance with local government regulations.

### RELEASE OF CHEMICAL FROM DISPOSAL

Most of the assessed chemical is expected to cure and no significant amount of assessed chemical is expected to remain in the final dry coatings, adhesives or sealants. These dried coatings, adhesives or sealants will share the fate of the articles to which they have been applied, to be either recycled for metal reclamation or disposed of to landfill at the end of their useful life. Empty import and end use packages containing residues of the assessed chemical will be collected by an approved waste contractor for safe disposal.

# 7.1.2. Environmental Fate

The biodegradability study conducted on the assessed chemical show that it is not readily biodegradable (5.9% degraded over 28 days in OECD 301D test); however, the assessed chemical hydrolyses rapidly ( $t_{1/2}$  < 5 min) in contact with water. For details of the biodegradability study, see Appendix C. As a result of its use pattern, the majority assessed chemical is expected to react and form a final dry coating, adhesive or sealant with no significant amount of assessed chemical remaining. These dried coatings, adhesives or sealants will be either thermally decomposed during metal reclamation or eventually degrade via biotic or abiotic processes. As it rapidly hydrolyses in contact with water, the assessed chemical is not expected to be bioaccumulative. In landfill, the assessed chemical collected from waste and spills is expected to hydrolyse with moisture in the air and eventually further degrade via biotic and abiotic processes to form water and oxides of carbon and nitrogen.

# 7.1.3. Predicted Environmental Concentration (PEC)

The predicted environmental concentration (PEC) has not been calculated as release of the assessed chemical to the aquatic environment will be limited based on its reported use pattern.

### 7.2. Environmental Effects Assessment

The assessed chemical is hydrolytically unstable, and the reported toxicity is likely caused by the degradants of the assessed chemical. The results from ecotoxicological investigations conducted on the assessed chemical are summarised in the table below. Details of these studies can be found in Appendix C.

| Endpoint                            | Result                    | Assessment Conclusion                   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Fish Toxicity                       | 96  h LC 50 = 27.79  mg/L | Harmful to fish                         |
| Daphnia Toxicity                    | 48  h EC50 = 68.79  mg/L  | Harmful to aquatic invertebrates        |
| Algal Toxicity                      | 72  h EC50 = 14.8  mg/L   | Harmful to algae                        |
| ,                                   | NOEC = 6.13  mg/L         | •                                       |
| Inhibition of Bacterial Respiration | 3  h IC50 = 375.38  mg/L  | Not inhibitory to bacterial respiration |

Based on the above ecotoxicological endpoints, the assessed chemical and its degradants are harmful to aquatic life. Therefore, the assessed chemical is classified as 'Acute Category 3: Harmful to aquatic life' according to the *Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals* (GHS) (United Nations, 2009). Based on its rapid hydrolytic degradability, the assessed chemical is not formally classified for chronic toxicity under the GHS.

### 7.2.1. Predicted No-Effect Concentration

The Predicted No-Effect Concentration (PNEC) has not been calculated since no significant release of the assessed chemical to the aquatic environment is expected from the proposed use pattern.

# 7.3. Environmental Risk Assessment

The risk quotient (Q = PEC/PNEC) for the assessed chemical has not been calculated as release to the aquatic environment in ecotoxicologically significant quantities is not expected based on its reported use pattern as a component of industrial coatings. The majority of the assessed chemical is expected to cure with no significant amount of assessed chemical in the final dry coatings, adhesives or sealants. These coatings, adhesives or sealants will share the fate of the articles to which they have been applied, to be either recycled for metal reclamation or disposed of to landfill at the end of their useful life. Therefore, on the basis of the assessed use pattern, the assessed chemical is not expected to pose an unreasonable risk to the environment.

# **APPENDIX A: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Melting Range -66.0 to -62.2 °C

Method OECD TG 102 Melting Point/Melting Range Remarks Determined using the capillary method

Test Facility LAUS GmbH (2011a)

**Boiling Point** 232.4 °C

Method OECD TG 103 Boiling Point

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.2 Boiling Temperature

Remarks Siwoboloff method with automatic photo-electrical detection

Test Facility TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011a)

**Density**  $833 \text{ kg/m}^3 \text{ at } 20 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

Method OECD TG 109 Density of Liquids and Solids

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.3 Relative Density

Remarks Gas pycnometer method Test Facility TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011b)

Vapour Pressure 0.063 kPa at 25 °C

Method OECD TG 104 Vapour Pressure

Remarks Static method

Test Facility LAUS GmbH (2011b)

**Hydrolysis as a Function of pH**  $\underline{t}_{1/2} < 5$  minutes at pH 4, 7 and 9 at 25°C

Method OECD TG 111 Hydrolysis as a Function of pH

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 C.7 Degradation: Abiotic Degradation: Hydrolysis as

a Function of pH

| рН | T (°C) | t <sub>½</sub> (minutes) |
|----|--------|--------------------------|
| 4  | 25     | < 5                      |
| 7  | 25     | < 5                      |
| 9  | 25     | < 5                      |

Remarks After 5 minutes hydrolysis at room temperature (25 °C) the test item could not be detected

( $t_{1/2}$  < 5 minutes). Therefore, based on the above-mentioned influence of the temperature on the velocity of chemical reactions, the  $t_{1/2}$  value is expected to be also very small in a lower temperature range ( $10-25\,^{\circ}\text{C}$ ). Consequently, it was also not feasible to measure the concentration of the test item to obtain more information on the stability under these

conditions. HPLC was used for analysis.

Test Facility TOXI-COOP ZRT (2012)

**Surface Tension** 48.07 mN/m at 20 °C (surface active)

Method OECD TG 115 Surface Tension of Aqueous Solutions

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.5 Surface Tension

Remarks Concentration: 1 mg/mL
Test Facility LAUS GmbH (2011c)

Flash Point 81.5 °C (closed cup)

Method EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.9 Flash Point

Remarks Determined using the equilibrium method with closed cup and electrical ignitions

Test Facility LAUS GmbH (2011d)

# **Autoignition Temperature** 239 °C

Method EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 A.15 Auto-Ignition Temperature (Liquids and Gases)

Remarks Smoke and sound observed during test

Test Facility TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011c)

# **APPENDIX B: TOXICOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS**

# **B.1.** Acute Oral Toxicity – Rat

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 423 Acute Oral Toxicity – Acute Toxic Class Method

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 B.1 tris Acute Oral Toxicity – Acute

Toxic Class Method

Species/Strain Rat/Crl(WI)Br

Vehicle Concentration of the assessed chemical in sunflower seed oil (Helianthi

Annui Oleum Raffinatum) was adjusted to maintain a treatment volume

of 10 mg/kg bw.

Remarks – Method GLP compliant

No significant protocol deviations

### RESULTS

| Group                     | Number and Sex of Animals         | Dose (mg/kg bw)  | Mortality                   |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 1                         | 3F                                | 2000   | 0/3                         |
| 2                         | 3F                                | 2000   | 0/3                         |
| LD50<br>Signs of Toxicity | > 2000 mg/kg bw                   | up 1, diarrhoea and diuresi                                | s occurred in 2 senarate    |
| Signs of Toxicity         | animals. The anin                 | nals were symptoms free 30 n ion days 2 to 14. All animals | ninutes after treatment and |
| Effects in Organs         | No macroscopic observed at the ne | pathological findings relate<br>ecropsy.                   | d to the test item were     |
| CONCLUSION                | The assessed cher                 | nical is of low acute toxicity                             | via the oral route.         |

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2010)

### **B.2.** Acute Dermal Toxicity – Rat

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 402 Acute Dermal Toxicity – Limit Test

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 B.3 Acute Toxicity (Dermal) – Limit

Test

Species/Strain Rat/Crl:(WI)BR

Vehicle Test substance administered as supplied

Type of dressing Semi-occlusive Remarks – Method GLP compliant

No significant protocol deviations

### RESULTS

| Group           | Number at     | nd Sex of Animals  | Dose (mg/kg bw)   | Mortality   |
|-----------------|---------------|--|---|---|
| 1               |               | 5/sex  | 2000  | 0/10  |
| LD50            |               | > 2000 mg/kg bw  |   |   |
| Signs of Toxici | ty – Local    | Symptoms of local score +1 to +4; Day Day 7) and other sig 14, and 4 Females | irritation including erythema<br>y 1 to Day 14), oedema (2 M<br>gns including dry skin surface<br>Day 1 to Day 14), wounds (<br>and 4 Females) were reporte | fales, score +1; Day 1 to<br>(All Males Day 2 to Day<br>(3 Males and 3 Females) |
| Signs of Toxici | ty – Systemic |  | ns or test-substance related cli<br>as evident in one female betw   |   |

other animals achieved satisfactory bodyweight gains throughout the

studv.

Effects in Organs No macroscopic pathological findings related to the systemic toxic effects

of the test item were observed at the necropsy.

CONCLUSION The assessed chemical is of low acute toxicity via the dermal route.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011i)

# B.3. Skin Irritation – In Vitro EpiDerm<sup>TM</sup> Reconstructed Human Epidermis Model

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed Chemical

METHOD EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 B.46. In vitro Skin Irritation –

Reconstructed Human Epidermis Model Test

Vehicle Test substance administered as supplied using a nylon mesh

Remarks – Method GLP compliant

The protocol was conducted according to a draft OECD guideline (*In vitro* Skin Irritation: Reconstructed Human *Epidermis* Test Method, (version

7.6) equivalent to OECD TG 439

Negative Control: Dulbecco's Phosphate Buffered Saline (DPBS)
Positive Control: 5% sodium dodecyl sulphate (SDS) in deionised water

### RESULTS

| Test Material    | Mean OD <sub>570</sub> of Triplicate | Relative Mean | SD of Relative Mean |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
|                  | Tissues                              | Viability (%) | Viability           |
| Negative control | 2.045                                | 100           | 6.4                 |
| Test substance   | 0.129                                | 6.3           | 10.9                |
| Positive control | 0.130                                | 6.4           | 3.6                 |

OD = optical density; SD = standard deviation

Remarks – Results The test substance was shown not to directly reduce MTT.

The value for the negative control was within the historical data range of

the test facility.

The value for the positive control was below the historical data range of the test facility. However, the experiment was considered valid as variation of biological systems within this order of magnitude are not unusual.

CONCLUSION Based on the mean tissue viability of  $\leq 50\%$ , the assessed chemical should

be classified for skin irritation according to the GHS criteria.

TEST FACILITY LAUS GmbH (2011e)

## **B.4.** Skin Irritation – Rabbit

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed Chemical

METHOD OECD TG 404 Acute Dermal Irritation/Corrosion

EC Directive 2004/73/EC B.4 Acute Toxicity (Skin Irritation)

Species/Strain Rabbit/New Zealand White

Number of Animals 3

Vehicle Test substance administered as supplied

Observation Period The animals were examined at 1, 24, 48 and 72 hours, then one and two

weeks after patch removal

Type of Dressing Semi-occlusive Remarks – Method GLP compliant

### No significant protocol deviations

### RESULTS

| Lesion          |      | ean Sco<br>nimal N | -    | Maximum<br>Value | Maximum Duration of<br>Any Effect | Maximum Value at End of Observation Period |
|-----------------|------|--------------------|------|------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
|                 | 1    | 2                  | 3    |                  |                                   |  |
| Erythema/Eschar | 3.00 | 3.33               | 2.00 | 4                | < 14 days                         | 0  |
| Oedema          | 1.66 | 2.66               | 0.66 | 3                | < 14 days                         | 0  |

<sup>\*</sup> Calculated on the basis of the scores at 24, 48, and 72 hours for EACH animal

Remarks - Results

Slight to well defined erythema was seen in two animals (score of 1 and 2, respectively) 1 hour after patch removal. Slight to well defined erythema was reported in 2 animals; and moderate to severe erythema with slight oedema in 1 animal at 24 hours. At 48 hours, dry skin, wounds and bleeding were reported in 2 animals. At 72 hours dry skin, wounds, bleeding and bloody scabs were reported in 2 animals and scabs and crusting in 1 animal. Wounds and crusting were reported in all animals after 1 week. All signs of irritation were reversible within the 14 day study period. There were no deaths or test substance-related clinical signs or remarkable body weight changes during the study period.

CONCLUSION The assessed chemical is corrosive to the skin.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011j)

### **B.5.** Skin Sensitisation – LLNA

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 429 Skin Sensitisation: Local Lymph Node Assay

EC Directive 2004/73/EC B.42 Skin Sensitisation (Local Lymph Node

Assay)

Species/Strain Mouse/CBA/Ca

Vehicle Acetone/Olive oil 4:1 (v/v)

Preliminary study Ye

Positive control α-Hexylcinnamaldehyde (HCA) at concentrations of 50% or 25%

Remarks – Method GLP compliant

A pre-test with 100%, 50% and 25% showed local irritation effects (irritation and necrosis) and considered unacceptable. A test item concentration of 10% was selected as the highest concentration for use in

the main test.

### RESULTS

| Concentration       | Number and Sex of | Proliferative Response | Stimulation Index    |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| (% w/w)             | Animals           | (DPM/lymph node)       | (test/control ratio) |
| Test Substance      |                   |                        |                      |
| 0 (vehicle control) | 5F                | 1421.4                 | 1.0                  |
| 2.5                 | 5F                | 7872.8                 | 5.5                  |
| 5                   | 5F                | 12745.1                | 9.0                  |
| 10                  | 5F                | 14987.8                | 10.5                 |
| Positive Control    |                   |                        |                      |
| 25                  | 5F                | 3383.4                 | 2.4                  |
| 50                  | 5F                | 5481.4                 | 3.9                  |

Remarks - Results

No deaths and no signs of systemic toxicity were reported. The stimulation index (SI) for increase in <sup>3</sup>H-thymidine incorporation into cells was greater than 3 at all doses, indicating that the assessed chemical

has sensitisation potential. An EC3 value estimation was not performed as

the SI values were greater than 3 at all doses.

Acceptance criteria were met confirming the validity of the assay.

CONCLUSION There was evidence of induction of a lymphocyte proliferative response

indicative of skin sensitisation to the assessed chemical.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011k)

### B.6. Repeat Dose Oral Toxicity – Rat (Dose Range Finding)

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 407 Repeated Dose 28-day Oral Toxicity Study in Rodents

EC Directive 96/54/EC B.7 Repeated Dose (28 Days) Toxicity (Oral)

Species/Strain Rat/Hsd.Brl.Han (Wistar rat)

Route of Administration Oral – gavage

Exposure Information Total exposure days: 14 days

Dose regimen: 7 days per week

Post-exposure observation period: 1 day (dosing was continued up to and

including the day before necropsy)

Vehicle Sunflower oil

Remarks – Method This study was a dose range finding study for the below 28 day repeat

dose oral toxicity study. This study was not GLP compliant. However,

GLP principles were followed.

### **RESULTS**

| Group     | Number and Sex of Animals | Dose/Concentration (mg/kg bw/day) |        | Mortality |
|-----------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------|
|           |                           | Nominal                           | Actual | _         |
| Control   | 5/sex                     | 0                                 | 0      | 0/10      |
| Low Dose  | 5/sex                     | 50                                | 39     | 0/10      |
| Mid Dose  | 5/sex                     | 250                               | 212    | 0/10      |
| High Dose | 5/sex                     | 1000                              | 914    | 0/10      |

Mortality and Time to Death

No mortality was recorded during the treatment period.

### Clinical Observations

All animals in the high dose group showed decreased activity, salivation, and nuzzling up of bedding. Additionally, swollen abdomen, prone position, closed eyes and piloerection were noted in male animals. No clinical signs were reported in the low and mid dose groups. There were no treatment-related changes noted in the functional observation battery. Body weights of male and female animals in the high dose group were reduced during week 1, corresponding to mean daily food consumption reduction.

Laboratory Findings - Clinical Chemistry, Haematology, Urinalysis

No test item related alterations in the examined clinical chemistry parameters were reported.

Effects in Organs

Specific macroscopic alterations related to treatment were not noted during the terminal necropsy.

Remarks - Results

No test item related adverse findings were reported at any dose in male and female rats.

**CONCLUSION** 

The doses of 50 (low), 250 (mid) and 1000 (high) mg/kg bw/day were selected for the below 28-day repeat dose oral toxicity study.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011m)

### B.7. Repeat Dose Oral Toxicity - Rat

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 407 Repeated Dose 28-day Oral Toxicity Study in Rodents

EC Directive 96/54/EC B.7 Repeated Dose (28 Days) Toxicity (Oral)

Species/Strain Rat/Hsd.Brl.Han (Wistar rat)

Route of Administration Oral – gavage

Exposure Information Total exposure days: 28 days

Dose regimen: 7 days per week

Post-exposure observation period: 1 day (dosing was continued up to and

including the day before necropsy)

Vehicle Sunflower oil
Remarks – Method GLP compliant

Dose setting was based on finding from a 14-day oral gavage dose range finding study. On Day 16 the high dose concentration was reduced from 1000 (actual 937) to 750 (actual 609) mg/kg bw/day for animal welfare reasons. The concentration of the test item in sunflower oil was quantified

on Day 4 and 25.

#### RESULTS

| Group     | Number and Sex of | Dose/Concentration (mg/kg bw/day) |          | Mortality            |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|----------------------|
|           | Animals           | Nominal                           | Actual   | _                    |
| Control   | 5/sex             | 0                                 | 0        | 0/10                 |
| Low Dose  | 5/sex             | 50                                | 39       | 0/10                 |
| Mid Dose  | 5/sex             | 250                               | 210      | 0/10                 |
| High Dose | 5/sex             | 1000/750*                         | 937/609* | 1/5 male, 1/5 female |

<sup>\*</sup> Due to mortality, the high dose level was reduced on Day 16.

### Mortality and Time to Death

The high does at 1000 mg/kg bw/day caused mortality of one male and one female on Day 10 and Day 7, respectively. Following reduction to 750 mg/kg bw/day on Day 16, no further mortality occurred.

### Clinical Observations

All animals in the high dose group showed decreased activity, salivation, Straub-tail and nuzzling up of bedding. Additionally, vocalisation was reported in one male and one female. Following dose reduction to 750 mg/kg bw/day (Day 16), Straub tail and decreased activity ceased (Day 18). Salivation was reported in all animals in the mid dose group from Day 7 to Day 28. No clinical signs were reported in the low dose group.

There were no treatment-related changes noted in the functional observation battery. Body weights of males in the high dose group remained below control values for the duration of the study due to significant reductions in body weight gain in Week 1 and Week 2, correlated with significantly reduced mean daily food consumption. Food consumption of females in the high dose group was reduced, but did not reach statistical significance.

# Laboratory Findings - Clinical Chemistry, Haematology, Urinalysis

A statistically significant decrease in the activity of alkaline phosphatase (ALP) was reported in high dose and low dose males. Concentration of glucose, sodium, chloride, albumin and total protein were decreased in high dose females. Total bilirubin concentration was statistically reduced in low dose males. These changes were not considered to be treatment related as they were sporadic, within the range of historical controls, without dose-dependent relationships and/or without substantiative correlated histopathological changes.

There was no statistically significant difference in the haematological parameters between male control and treatment groups. In female animals increased white blood cell count (WBC) and percentage of lymphocytes were reported in the high dose group. A decreased percentage of neutrocytes were reported in both the high and mid dose groups. These changes were within the historical control ranges and not considered to be toxicologically significant.

Effects in Organs

No treatment related macroscopic/microscopic changes or changes in absolute organ weights were reported following necropsy of male and female animals.

In the high dose group pinhead sized haemorrhages (1 male) and pale kidneys (1 male were reported). In the mid dose group pale kidneys (1 male), pale liver (1 female) and slight to moderate hydrometra (2 females) were reported. In the low dose group reddish mottled lungs (1 male) and moderate hydrometra (1 female) were reported. In the control group reddish mottled lungs (1 male and 1 female), point sized haemorrhages in the lungs (1 male), alopecia and scar on left shoulder (1 female) and moderate hydrometra (2 females) were reported. No lesions were found in the affected kidneys or liver following microscopic examination. Pulmonary changes occurred at a similar incidence in the control animals and considered to develop during exsanguination. Hydrometra, related to the female sexual cycle, and alopecia were reported as frequent observation in experimental rats.

In the high dose group kidney weights were higher in female rats compared to controls. In the low dose group, adrenal glands were slightly reduced in male rats compared to controls. The increased kidney weights were not accompanied by any microscopic changes and were considered to be an adaption phenomenon.

Remarks – Results

No test item related adverse findings were reported at any dose in male and female rats after the high dose reduction.

### CONCLUSION

The No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) was established by the study authors as 609 mg/kg bw/day in this study, based on clinical observations, and significant changes to food consumptions and body weight at 937 mg/kg bw/day.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (20111)

### **B.8.** Genotoxicity – Bacteria

Species/Strain

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 471 Bacterial Reverse Mutation Test

EC Directive 2000/32/EC B.13/14 Mutagenicity – Reverse Mutation Test

using Bacteria

Plate incorporation procedure and Pre incubation procedure

Salmonella typhimurium: TA1535, TA1537, TA98 and TA100

Escherichia coli: WP2uvrA

Metabolic Activation System S9 fraction from phenobarbital/β-naphthoflavone induced rat liver

Concentration Range in

a) With metabolic activation: 15.8-5000 µg/plate

Main Test

b) Without metabolic activation: 15.8-5000 µg/plate

Vehicle Dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO)

Remarks – Method GLP Compliant

No significant protocol deviations

Positive controls: Without metabolic activation – 4-nitro-1,2-phenylene-diamine (NPD) in DMSO (TA98), Sodium Azide in distilled water (TA100 and TA1535), 9-aminoacridine (9AA) in DMSO (TA1537), methyl-methanesulfonate (MMS) in distilled water (*E. Coli* WP2 *uvrA*). With metabolic activation – 2-aminoantheacene (2AA) in DMSO (all

strains)

Negative controls - DMSO and distilled water

### RESULTS

| Test                | Test Substance Concentration (µg/plate) Resulting in: |               |                  |  |  |
|---------------------|---|---------------|------------------|--|--|
| _                   | Cytotoxicity  | Precipitation | Genotoxic Effect |  |  |
| Plate incorporation | •   | -             | •                |  |  |
| With S9 mix         | ≥ 5000  | > 5000        | Equivocal        |  |  |
| Without S9 mix      | ≥ 5000  | > 5000        | Equivocal        |  |  |
| Pre-incubation      |   |               | -                |  |  |
| With S9 mix         | ≥ 500   | > 5000        | Equivocal        |  |  |
| Without S9 mix      | ≥ 5000  | > 5000        | Equivocal        |  |  |

Remarks - Results

### Plate incorporation test

Substantially increased revertant colony numbers (above historical control data ranges) were observed in *S. typhimurium* TA 98 at 5000  $\mu$ g/plate (without metabolic activation), and in *E. coli* WP2 uvrA at 5000  $\mu$ g/plate (with metabolic activation) and 1581  $\mu$ g/plate (without metabolic activation).

Increased revertant colony numbers (within historical control data ranges) were observed in *S. typhimurium* TA 100 at 5000  $\mu$ g/plate (without metabolic activation), in TA 98 at 158  $\mu$ g/plate (without metabolic activation), and in *E. coli* WP2 uvrA at 1581  $\mu$ g/plate (with metabolic activation).

These increases did not show a clear dose response relationship.

### Pre-incubation test

Substantially increased revertant colony numbers (above historical control data ranges) were observed in  $E.\ coli$  WP2 uvrA at 500  $\mu g/plate$  (without metabolic activation) and 1581  $\mu g/plate$  (with metabolic activation).

Increased revertant colony numbers (within historical control data ranges) were observed in *S. typhimurium* TA 98 at 158-1581  $\mu$ g/plate (without metabolic activation).

These increases did not show a clear dose response relationships.

Vehicle and positive controls performed as expected, confirming the validity of the test system.

CONCLUSION

The assessed chemical was not considered mutagenic to bacteria by the study authors under the conditions of the test.

**TEST FACILITY** 

TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011n)

# B.9. Genotoxicity - In Vitro Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed Chemical

METHOD OECD TG 473 In vitro Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test

EC Directive 2000/32/EC B.10 Mutagenicity - In vitro Mammalian

Chromosome Aberration Test

Cell Type/Cell Line

Metabolic Activation System

Vehicle

Chinese Hamster V79 Cells

S9 fraction from phenobarbital/ $\beta$ -naphthoflavone induced rat liver

Dimethyl Sulfoxide (DMSO)

Remarks – Method GLP Compliant

No significant protocol deviations

Positive control: Without metabolic activation - Ethylmethane sulphonoate in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's medium (DMEM), with

metabolic activation – N-nitrodimethylamine in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's medium (DMEM) Negative Control: DMSO

| Metabolic Activation | Test Substance Concentration (μg/mL) | Exposure Period | Harvest Time |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Absent               |                                      |                 |              |
| Experiment A         | 39.1, 78.2, 156.3, 312.5, 625*       | 3 hr            | 20 hr        |
| Experiment B         | 39.1, 78.2, 156.3, 312.5, 625*       | 20 hr           | 20 hr        |
| Experiment B         | 39.1, 78.2, 156.3, 312.5, 625*       | 20 hr           | 28 hr        |
| Present              |                                      |                 |              |
| Experiment A         | 78.2, 156.3, 312.5, 625*             | 3 hr            | 20 hr        |
| Experiment B         | 78.2, 156.3, 312.5, 625              | 3 hr            | 28 hr        |

<sup>\*</sup>This concentration was tested but not evaluated.

### RESULTS

| Metabolic Activation | Test S       | g/mL) Resulting in: |                  |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------|
|                      | Cytotoxicity | Precipitation       | Genotoxic Effect |
| Absent               |              |                     |                  |
| Experiment A         | $\geq$ 312.5 | > 625               | Negative         |
| Experiment B         | $\geq$ 312.5 | > 625               | Negative         |
| Present              |              |                     |                  |
| Experiment A         | $\geq$ 312.5 | > 625               | Negative         |
| Experiment B         | ≥ 625        | > 625               | Negative         |

# Remarks - Results

In Experiment A, there were no biologically significant increases in the number of cells showing structural chromosome aberrations in both the absence and presence of S9 mix.

In Experiment B, there were no biologically significant increases in the frequency of cells showing structural chromosome aberrations in both the absence and presence of S9 mix up to the cytotoxic concentration (625  $\mu$ g/mL). No dose-response relationships were reported. No increase in the rate of polyploid and endoreduplicated metaphases.

The positive and negative controls performed as expected confirming the validity of the assay.

### CONCLUSION

The assessed chemical was not clastogenic to Chinese Hamster V79 cells treated *in vitro* under the conditions of the test.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011o)

# B.10. Genotoxicity - In Vitro Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Test: HPRT Assay

 TEST SUBSTANCE
 Assessed Chemical

 METHOD
 OECD TG 476 In vitro Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Test EC Directive 2000/32/EC B.17 Mutagenicity – In vitro Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Test

 Cell Type/Cell Line
 CHO-K1

 Metabolic Activation System Vehicle
 S9 fraction from phenobarbital/β-naphthoflavone induced rat liver Dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO)

 Remarks – Method
 GLP Compliant No significant protocol deviations

| Metabolic        | Test Substance Concentration (µg/mL) | Exposure | Expression | Selection |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|------------|-----------|
| Activation       |                                      | Period   | Time       | Time      |
| Absent<br>Test 1 | 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450*   | 5 hrs    | 1-6 days   | 3-7 days  |

| Test 2  | 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450*        | 20 hrs | 1-6 days | 3-7 days |
|---------|---|--------|----------|----------|
| Present |   |        |          |          |
| Test 1  | 50, 100, 150, 20, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450 | 5 hrs  | 1-6 days | 3-7 days |
| Test 2  | 50, 100, 150, 20, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450 | 20 hrs | 1-6 days | 3-7 days |

<sup>\*</sup> Not evaluated due to high cytotoxicity at this concentration

### **RESULTS**

| Metabolic Activation | Test Substance Concentration (μg/mL) Resulting in:   |  |                  |  |
|----------------------|--|--|------------------|--|
|                      | Cytotoxicity   | Precipitation  | Genotoxic Effect |  |
| Absent               | ·  | -  |                  |  |
| Test 1               | ≥ 300  | > 450  | Negative         |  |
| Test 2               | ≥ 300  | > 450  | Negative         |  |
| Present              |  |  |                  |  |
| Test 1               | ≥ 250  | > 450  | Negative         |  |
| Test 2               | ≥ 250  | > 450  | Negative         |  |
| Remarks – Results    | frequencies either to the positive and   | The test substance did not cause any relevant increase in the mutant frequencies either with or without metabolic activation.  The positive and negative controls gave a satisfactory response confirming the validity of the test system. |                  |  |
| Conclusion           | The notified chemical was not mutagenic to CHO cells treated <i>in vitro</i> under the conditions of the test. |  |                  |  |

TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011p)

### B.11. Reproductive/Developmental Toxicity – Rat One Generation Study

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed Chemical

**METHOD** 

TEST FACILITY

Species/Strain Rat/ Hsd.Brl.Han
Route of Administration Oral – gavage

Exposure Information Exposure period – female: 14 days pre-mating, up to 14 days mating, through gestation (22-23 days) and up to lactation days 3, 4 or 5. Non-

through gestation (22-23 days) and up to lactation days 3, 4 or 5. Non-pregnant and non-mated female animals were treated up to and including the day before necropsy (day 40).

Exposure period – male: 41 days (14 days pre-mating, 14 days mating and

13 days post-mating) Sunflower oil

Remarks – Method OECD TG 421, Reproduction/Developmental Toxicity Screening Test

**GLP** Compliant

# RESULTS

Vehicle

| Group     | Number and Sex of Animals | Dose (mg/kg bw/day) | Mortality |
|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Control   | 12/sex                    | 0                   | 0/24      |
| Low dose  | 12/sex                    | 50                  | 0/24      |
| Mid dose  | 12/sex                    | 250                 | 0/24      |
| High dose | 12/sex                    | 750                 | 0/24      |

# Mortality and Time to Death

The study reported no test item related mortality. Two dams (1 in control group and 1 in 250 mg/kg bw/day group) were euthanised in moribund condition due to an elaborated delivery on lactation day 0.

# Effects on Parental animals:

In the high dose male group, salivation (12/12), decreased activity (12/12), prone position (12/12), nuzzling of bedding (12/12) and narrowed eye orifices (5/12) were reported. In the high dose female group, salivation

(12/12), decreased activity (12/12), prone position (7/12), nuzzling of bedding (12/12) and narrowed eye orifices (1/12) were reported during the pre-mating period. During gestation, the incidence of decreased activity (5/12), prone position (3/12) and narrowed eye orifices (0/12) decreased. During the lactation period, only salivation (12/12) and nuzzling up of bedding (12/12) were reported. In the mid dose male group, salivation was reported for all animals over the course of the treatment period. In the mid dose female group, salivation was observed during pre-mating (12/12), gestation (11/12) and lactation periods (4/12). Alopecia and fur-discolouration (reddish-brown) were reported in one animal each.

Food consumption was decreased during weeks 1-2 in all high dose animals. Treatment resulted in a reduction in body weight of male rats throughout the study. Body weight reductions in female rats occurred only during week 1 of the pre-mating period.

In the low dose male and female groups no treatment related clinical signs were reported. Alopecia was reported in 2 female animals.

### Reproduction

There were no test substance-related effects for male and female reproduction performance (including gonad function, mating behaviour, conception, pregnancy, parturition, fertility indices) and delivery data (including post-implantation loss, total intrauterine mortality, corpora lutea, number/percent of stillborn).

# Effects on 1st Filial Generation (F1)

There were no test substance-related effects for litter data (including pup number and status at delivery, pup viability index/mortality and sex ratio), pup clinical observations, pup body weight data, and pup necropsy observations.

#### Remarks - Results

In the high dose group clinical signs (salivation, decreased activity, prone position, nuzzling up of bedding and narrow eye orifices), reduction in body weight gain and reduced food consumption were reported in male and female rats. There were no test substance-related adverse findings in male and female low and mid dose groups and all pups. The test item did not impact reproductive performance.

# CONCLUSION

The No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) was established by the study authors as 250 mg/kg bw/day following adverse findings for females and male rats in the high dose group mainly due to clinical signs, reduced body weight and food consumption.

The NOAEL for reproductive/developmental toxicity was established by the study authors as 750 mg/kg bw/day based on no test substance-related reproductive/developmental effects observed up to the highest dose tested.

TEST FACILITY

TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011q)

# APPENDIX C: ENVIRONMENTAL FATE AND ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS

### **C.1.** Environmental Fate

### C.1.1. Ready biodegradability

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 301 D Ready Biodegradability: Closed Bottle Test

Inoculum Activated sludge

Exposure Period 28 days Auxiliary Solvent None

Analytical Monitoring Theoretical Oxygen Demand (ThOD)

Remarks – Method The test was conducted in accordance with the test guideline above, with

no significant deviation in protocol reported.

### RESULTS

| Test | Substance     | Sodiu | ım benzoate   |
|------|---------------|-------|---------------|
| Day  | % Degradation | Day   | % Degradation |
| 7    | 11.3          | 7     | 64.6          |
| 14   | 5.4           | 14    | 69.7          |
| 21   | 8.0           | 21    | 73.2          |
| 28   | 5.9           | 28    | 73.8          |

Remarks - Results

All validity criteria for the test were satisfied. The oxygen depletion in the inoculum control was maintained at 1.38 mg  $O_2/L$  after 28 days. The residual oxygen concentration in the test flasks did not drop below 0.5 mg  $O_2/L$  at any time. The percentage degradation of the toxicity control reached the threshold level of 28.3% by 14 days (33.8% in 28 days), showing that toxicity was not a factor inhibiting the biodegradability of the test substance. The results of the percentage biodegradation are not monotonic, but no explanation was provided. The mean biodegradation of assessed chemical was 5.9% during the 28 days period.

CONCLUSION The assessed chemical is not readily biodegradable.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011d)

# **C.2.** Ecotoxicological Investigations

### C.2.1. Acute toxicity to fish

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 203 Fish, Acute Toxicity Test - Static

Species Danio rerio
Exposure Period 96 hours
Auxiliary Solvent None

Water Hardness 239 mg CaCO<sub>3</sub>/L

Analytical Monitoring High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)

Remarks – Method No significant deviations from the test guidelines were reported. Since

mortality was observed during the limit test a subsequent full test was performed. The test solutions were freshly prepared just before the start

of the treatments.

### **RESULTS**

| Concentration mg/L | Number of Fish |      | Morta | lity |      |
|--------------------|----------------|------|-------|------|------|
| Nominal            |                | 24 h | 48 h  | 72 h | 96 h |
| Control            | 7              | 0    | 0     | 0    | 0    |
| 6.25               | 7              | 0    | 0     | 0    | 0    |
| 12.5               | 7              | 0    | 1     | 1    | 1    |
| 25                 | 7              | 1    | 1     | 1    | 1    |
| 50                 | 7              | 2    | 5     | 6    | 7    |
| 100                | 7              | 7    | -     | -    | -    |

LC50

27.79 (95% CI of 18.73 - 41.23) mg/L at 96 hours (calculated using Probit

Remarks - Results

The assessed chemical was not hydrolytically stable and was not detected in test media. However, major degradation products were detected.

All validity criteria for the test were satisfied. Oxygen saturation concentration was 68.6-96% during the test. The temperature was maintained at 23-25.5°C.

The measured concentrations of the degradation products of the test substance varied in the range from 93% to 105% of the nominal value at the start of the study and from 101% to 106% at the end of the study. The deviation of the measured concentrations from the nominal values was lower than 20%, therefore, the results are based on the nominal concentration.

CONCLUSION

The assessed chemical and its degradants are harmful to fish.

TEST FACILITY

TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011e)

### C.2.2. Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 202 Daphnia sp. Acute Immobilisation Test and Reproduction

Test – Static

Species Daphnia magna
Exposure Period 48 hours

Exposure Period 48 hour Auxiliary Solvent None

Water Hardness 219.5 mg CaCO<sub>3</sub>/L

Analytical Monitoring High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)
Remarks – Method No significant deviations from the test guidelines w

No significant deviations from the test guidelines were reported. A stock solution of the test substance was prepared (100 mg/L) by dissolution in the test medium. The mixture was sonicated for 30 minutes followed by centrifuged for 10 minutes and filtered. The stock solution was further

diluted for the test concentrations. A reference test was also run.

# RESULTS

| Concentration (mg/L) | Number of D. magna | Number Immobilised |      |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------|
| Nominal              |                    | 24 h               | 48 h |
| Control              | 20                 | 0                  | 0    |
| 6.25                 | 20                 | 0                  | 0    |
| 12.5                 | 20                 | 0                  | 0    |
| 25                   | 20                 | 0                  | 0    |
| 50                   | 20                 | 3                  | 5    |
| 100                  | 20                 | 4                  | 16   |

EC50

68.79 mg/L at 48 hours (calculated using Probit Analysis).

Remarks – Results

The assessed chemical was not hydrolytically stable and was not detected in test media. However, major degradation products were detected.

All validity criteria for the test were satisfied. Oxygen concentration was maintained at  $\geq 3$  mg/L in all test vessels. The reference test showed an EC50 value for potassium dichromate of 2.05 mg/L which is within the expected range.

The measured concentrations of the degradation products of the test substance varied in the range from 86% to 103% of the nominal value at the start of the study and from 87% to 116% at the end of the study. The deviation of the measured concentrations from the nominal values was lower than 20%, therefore, the results are based on the nominal concentration.

CONCLUSION

The assessed chemical and its degradants are harmful to aqueous

invertebrates

TEST FACILITY

TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011f)

# C.2.3. Algal Growth Inhibition Test

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 201 Alga, Growth Inhibition Test

EC Council Regulation No 440/2008 C.3 Algal Inhibition Test

Species Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata

Exposure Period 72 hour

Concentration Range Nominal: 1.875, 3.75, 7.5, 15, and 30 mg/L

Geometrical mean measured: 1.64, 3.22, 6.13, 12.22 and 24.81 mg/L

Auxiliary Solvent None
Water Hardness Not reported
Analytical Monitoring High Perform

Analytical Monitoring High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)
Remarks – Method No significant deviations from the test guidelines w

No significant deviations from the test guidelines were reported. A stock solution of the test substance (30 mg/L) was prepared by dissolution in the test medium. The mixture was sonicated for 30 minutes followed by centrifuged for 10 minutes and filtered. The stock solution was further

diluted for the test concentrations. A reference test was also run.

### **RESULTS**

| Biomass                   |             | Growth                       |             |  |
|---------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|--|
| EyC50 (mg/L at 72 h)      | NOEC (mg/L) | ErC50 (mg/L at 72 h)         | NOEC (mg/L) |  |
| 8.66 (95% CI of 7.8-9.61) | 1.64        | 14.8 (95% CI of 13.11-16.71) | 6.13        |  |

Remarks - Results

The assessed chemical was not hydrolytically stable and was not detected in test media. However, major degradation products were detected.

All validity criteria for the test were satisfied. The cell concentration in the control cultures increased by a factor of more than 16 within 72 hours. The mean coefficient of variation for section-by-section specific growth rates in the control cultures did not exceed 35%. The mean coefficient of variation for section-by-section specific growth rates was 7.54%. The reference test showed an ErC50 value for potassium dichromate of 0.82 mg/L which is within the expected range.

The measured concentrations of the degradation products of the test substance varied in the range from 80 - 104% to of the nominal value at the start of the study and from 74 - 86% at the end of the study. The

deviation of the measured concentrations from the nominal values was higher than 20%, therefore, the results are based on geometrical mean

measured concentrations.

CONCLUSION The assessed chemical and its degradants are harmful to algae.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011g)

# C.2.4. Inhibition of Microbial Activity

TEST SUBSTANCE Assessed chemical

METHOD OECD TG 209 Activated Sludge, Respiration Inhibition Test

EC Directive 88/302/EEC C.11 Biodegradation: Activated Sludge

**Respiration Inhibition Test** 

Inoculum Activated sludge

Exposure Period 3 hours

Concentration Range Nominal: 62.5, 125, 250, 500 and 1000 mg/L

Remarks – Method No significant deviations from the test guidelines were reported.

RESULTS

IC50 375.38 (95% CI of 115.97 – 7592.08) mg/L at 3 hours

NOEC < 62.5 mg/L [Statistically determined using Bonferroni t-Test ( $\alpha = 0.05$ )] Remarks – Results The specific respiration rate of the blank controls was 35.07 mg oxygen

per one gram of activated sludge in an hour with a coefficient of variation of 3.36%. The reference test showed an EC50 value for 3,5 dichlorophenol

of 6.03 mg/L which is within the expected range.

CONCLUSION The assessed chemical and its degradants are not inhibitory to microbial

respiration.

TEST FACILITY TOXI-COOP ZRT (2011h)

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