

i2a News

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34 MEMBER COMPANIES IN THE ANTIMONY ASSOCIATION

Members

<u>34 companies</u> have joined the <u>International Antimony Association (i2a)</u> to help them with their REACH and other regulatory requirements. Members include producers, importers and traders of antimony compounds from across the globe including Europe, Asia, Australia and America. Interested companies can still join i2a.

Which antimony compounds remain in i2a?

The members of i2a decided to maintain 10 antimony substances (see <u>i2a website</u>) for REACH registration via i2a. The highest tonnage band of our members drives the registration deadline and i2a's work planning. All pre-SIEF members involved with these 10 substances have been contacted by i2a to check on eventual earlier registration deadlines. The appointed lead registrants are all members of i2a and were elected after giving the pre-SIEF four weeks to object to our choice of lead registrant. All lead registrants identified themselves to ECHA.

Substance	EC Number	CAS number	Deadline Registration for i2a members	LEAD REGISTRANT	
Antimony Metal	231-146-5	7440-36-0	30 Nov 10	CAMPINE	
Diantimony trioxide	215-175-0	1309-64-4	30 Nov 10	CAMPINE	
Sodium		33908-66-6		LIMICODE	
hexahydroxoantimonate	251-735-0		30 Nov 10	UMICORE	
Antimony triacetate	230-043-2	6923-52-0	31 May 13	GOLDMANN	
Sodium antimonate (A)	239-444-7	15432-85-6	31 May 13	GMS CHEMIE	
Diantimonytris(ethylene glycolate)	249-820-2	29736-75-2	31 May 13	ANTRACO	
Diantimony pentoxide	215-237-7	1314-60-9	31 May 13	CAMPINE	
Antimony trisulfide	215-713-4	1345-04-6	31 May 18	COPLOSA	
Antimony trichloride	233-47-2	10025-91-9	31 May 18	RECYLEX	
Antimony pentachloride	231-601-8	7647-18-9	31 May 18	not defined yet	

The EU Risk Assessment Report for antimony trioxide is now publicly available at http://ecb.jrc.ec.europa.eu/esis/index.php?PGM=ora under the 4th priority list.

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REACH: progress report

In order to comply with REACH, a range of 'read-across enabling tests' has started. Results for the physico-chemical human health studies will be available by the end of June 2009; environment by October. Bio-accessibility testing will normally be available from end 2009 - beginning 2010. Besides the effects work, i2a is also gathering exposure data from all downstream user applications via questionnaires. All downstream use applications from our members have been identified for our 10 substances. The gathering of data is being finalized by end of June in order to allow the consultants to develop the generic exposure scenarios over summer. The existing exposure scenarios of antimony trioxide (gathered during the EU Risk Assessment Process) will be used as basis for the other substances as much as possible.

Companies and downstream user associations are hereby kindly requested to provide i2a with all available measured exposure and emission data to further back up the calculated exposures/emissions.

Communication with pre-SIEF and SIEF

All companies that chose to be active, involved or passive in response to the i2a "sameness" survey, which was sent to all pre-SIEF companies, have been invited to become members of i2a in order to facilitate joint preparation of the REACH dossiers. The 'dormant' and non-responders will receive a REACH newsletter on a yearly or bi-annual basis. Companies can change their status at all times. All the information needed will be put on the i2a website.

Antimony Trioxide in the Canadian Batch 9 Chemical Substances Challenge

i2a provided comments to the Canadian authorities reviewing the HH and ENV data for antimony trioxide (see http://www.chemicalsubstanceschimiques.gc.ca/en/). The importance of existing data sets was highlighted and i2a trusts that the accepted EU Risk Assessment and the OECD level approved document will be taken into account when Canada conducts further screening of antimony trioxide.

Upcoming events – Conferences participation

- 21 Sept 2009: i2a to give presentation at the international conference on Flame Retardants in Shanghai
- 14 October 2009: i2a Board of Directors (BOD) meeting in Barcelona
- 15 October 2009: i2a General Assembly (GA) meeting in Barcelona
- 12 November 2009: i2a to give presentation at TNO seminar 'REACH, raw materials and recycling in the glass industry'
- 30 Nov-2 Dec 2009: i2a to give presentation at AMI's Fire Resistance in Plastics 2009 event in Frankfurt, Germany

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