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pending issues

Comments on ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2016/2 -Updating of references to European Union instruments (toxic substances; corrosive substances; substances hazardous to the aquatic environment) - CEFIC

Transmitted by the European Commission

- 1. The European Commission thanks CEFIC for the effort to update the reference to EU legislation.
- 2. In order to overcome the issues with non-EU countries on application of GHS versus CLP Regulation, the proposal of CEFIC should be reworded in order to refer both to the national legislation of non-EU Member States and to EU legislation.
- 3. Therefore, we wish to propose the following amendments to the CEFIC proposal.
- 4. New text is inserted in track changes.

Proposals of amendments

2.2.61.1.14

2.2.61.1.14 Replace "Directives 67/548/EEC³ or 1999/45/EC⁴ as amended" by "GHS". Replace "as highly toxic, toxic or harmful according to these directives, as amended" by "in Acute Toxicity category 1, 2 or 3 according to GHS".

2.2.61.1.14 would read:

"Substances, solutions and mixtures, with the exception of substances and preparations used as pesticides, which do not meet the criteria of GHS<u>as implemented through national or EU¹ legislation</u> and which are not therefore classified in Acute Toxicity category 1, 2 or 3 according to GHS, may be considered as substances not belonging to Class 6.1.".

¹Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, OJ L 353, 31.12.2008, p. 1–1355

2.2.8.1.9

Amend to read as follows:

"2.2.8.1.9 Substances, solutions and mixtures, which do not meet the criteria of category 1 according to GHS as implemented through national or EU¹ legislation with regard to skin corrosion and, in case they are of liquid state or may become liquid during transport, do not meet the criteria of category 1 with regard to corrosion to steel and aluminium may be considered as substances not belonging to class 8.".

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, OJ L 353, 31.12.2008, p. 1–1355

The Note at the end of 2.2.8.1.9 remains unchanged.

2.2.9.1.10.5

Amend to read as follows:

"2.2.9.1.10.5 Substances, solutions and mixtures, which do not meet the criteria for hazardous to the aquatic environment, categories Acute 1, Chronic 1 or Chronic 2 according to GHS as implemented through national or EU¹ legislation may be considered as not being an environmentally hazardous substances (aquatic environment), solutions or mixtures."

¹Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, OJ L 353, 31.12.2008, p. 1–1355

Consequential amendment: Footnotes 3, 4 and 16 are deleted in Chapter 2.2. Renumber the other footnotes of Chapter 2.2 accordingly.