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Confirmation

TSCA Section 6(h) (Toxic Substances Control Act)

On January 6, 2021, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced a ban on the manufacture, use and distribution of five PBT (persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic) substances and articles containing these substances. The details can be viewed at 40 CFR Part 751, Subpart E¹. For four of these substances, the new rules came into force on March 8, 2021; for PIP 3:1, the implementation deadline was extended to October 31, 2024.

The ban applies to the following substances:

Phenol, isopropyl phosphate (3:1) (PIP (3:1)) CAS 68937-41-7 (complete ban)
Decabromodiphenyl ether (DecaBDE) CAS 1163-19-5 (complete ban)
2,4,6-Tris(tert-butyl)phenol (2,4,6-TTBP) CAS 732-26 (limit = 0.3 % weight by weight)
Hexachlorobutadiene (HCBD) CAS 87-68-3 (complete ban)
Pentachlorothiophenol (PCTP) CAS 133-49-3 (limit value = 1 % by weight)

Note: The above concentration limits apply to all homogeneous materials contained in the product.

Of the five bans issued under TSCA Section 6(h), the one against PIP 3:1 will likely have the greatest impact on the industry, as the substance has likely replaced older restricted flame retardants in some products. It is also an important additive in thermoplastics and plastics to meet electrical safety standards and can be found in rubberized materials such as gaskets, O-rings and seals in hydraulic systems.

Company SCHURTER AG hereby confirms that, according to the present state of knowledge and confirmation of the suppliers, the products do not contain any banned substances according to TSCA Section 6(h).

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Mit freundlichen Grüssen

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¹ https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/chapter-l/subchapter-R/part-751/subpart-E