

ECHA Opens Public Consultation on Proposed Restriction on decaBDE Used in Plastics and Textiles

The European Chemical Agency (ECHA) submitted a report proposing a restriction on the manufacturing, use and placing on the market of bis(pentabromophenyl) ether (decaBDE), and on articles containing decaBDE in concentrations greater than 0.1% by weight.

DecaBDE is commonly used as a flame retardant in plastics and textiles, but has other minor identified uses. DecaBDE has been identified as a substance of very high concern (SVHC) on the basis of its persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) properties.

This public consultation will end on March 17, 2014.

Link

ECHA: Restriction under consideration

<http://echa.europa.eu/restrictions-under-consideration>

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