



Petrokemija d.d. successfully responded to the requirements of the REACH Regulation

Petrokemija d.d. conducted the registration of chemical substances in their products according to the requirements of Regulation EC No. 1907 / 2006 (the so-called REACH Regulation) and to all other EU directives related to the REACH Regulation. The registration process was formally completed after Petrokemija received confirmation of the European Chemical Agency (ECHA) on acceptance of all submitted registration dossiers, i.e. on successfully conducted registration in accordance with the provisions of the REACH Regulation. It is the result of a two-year intensive work on the preparation of registration dossiers for substances of technical chemicals production and substances of simple and complex fertilizers that the Company manufactures.

REACH Regulation requires that manufacturers of chemicals in the EU and importers of these substances into the EU, register these with the European Chemical Agency. The deadlines for registration prescribed by the REACH Regulation depend on the nature of the registered substance and annual amount in which they are placed on the EU market. Thus, for substances that are sold to that market in quantities exceeding 1000 tons per year, the registration deadline is December 1, 2010. As the amounts of mineral fertilizers and technical chemicals, which the company annually exports to the EU area, are much larger than 1000 tons, the registration of chemical substances in products by that date was a necessary condition for sustained export products of Petrokemija to EU countries after the deadline.

The aim of REACH (and related regulations in the European chemical legislation) is to provide a higher degree of protection of human health and the environment as well as the free movement of (chemical) substances in the EU market while enhancing competitiveness and innovation.

The ECHA Agency achieves the ultimate goals of the REACH process in partnership with all actors in the system of production and marketing of chemicals and chemical products to the EU market, from manufacturers and importers to end users.

By successful completion of the registration process, Petrokemija has the obligation of intensive and continuous cooperation with the ECHA Agency in the REACH process, which has become a permanent regulator of production, placement and use of all chemicals and chemical products in the EU. Currently the company co-operates with the Agency through the authorized Only Representative for registration. By admission of Croatia into full membership of the Union, Petrokemija will be formally included in the monitoring system of the European Chemical Agency, but also in the Croatian supervisory bodies, approved by the ECHA Agency.

Registration of chemical substances in products enables Petrokemija to be continuously present in the EU market. Meeting all regulations arising from the REACH directive and related chemical legislation is a guarantee that the Company meets all the criteria in the field of environmental protection and human health and the control of movement and use of chemicals and chemical products in the European Union.

European Chemicals Agency, with the headquarters in Finland, stores and systematizes all the information obtained through the reported registration dossier. This will allow access to information about the way and intensity of action of chemicals on human health and environment to both professionals and the public. At the same time, a continuous task of monitoring and systematized presentation of all relevant safety information on chemicals is placed before the industry and importers in order to achieve a level of hazards and risks control, set by the REACH-related regulations.

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