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## IFRA Information Letter 1097

### Subject: REACH Annex II amended through COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2020/878

Dear All,

Regulation (EU) No 2020/878 amending Annex II (Safety Data Sheets (SDS)), to the REACH Regulation has been published on 26 June 2020 in the Official Journal of the EU and shall apply from 1 January 2021 (see Att. 01).

The transitional period for the new requirements is two years, i.e. old safety data sheets may continue to be provided until 31 December 2022.

This amendment introduces some important changes. Below some highlights:

- The requirements for SDSs have been adapted to the rules according to the sixth and seventh revision of the GHS.
- The change considers the labelling of nanoforms in SDSs.
- There are instructions on how UFIs (Unique Formula Identifier) must appear on SDSs. Indeed, Annex VIII to the EU CLP Regulation<sup>1</sup> on Poison Centres will allow the possibility to only indicate the UFI in the SDS as regards hazardous mixtures supplied for use at industrial sites. For certain mixtures which are not packaged, it will also require that the UFI is indicated in the SDS. The UFI identifier shall be entered in section 1.1 of the SDS.
- The requirements for SDSs for endocrine disruptors and mixtures have been amended. Under Section 2.3 (Other hazards) information shall be provided on whether the substance was included in the REACH Candidate List and whether the substance is a substance identified as having endocrine disrupting properties in accordance with the criteria of the Biocides<sup>2</sup> or

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<sup>1</sup> (EC) No 1272/2008

<sup>2</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2100 of 4 September 2017 setting out scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine-disrupting properties pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of the European Parliament and Council (OJ L 301, 17.11.2017, p. 1).



Pesticides<sup>3</sup> Regulations. The endocrine disrupting ingredient must be indicated in section 3 of the SDS if its concentration exceeds 0.1%.

Moreover, information on endocrine disrupting properties that cause health or environmental effects is provided in the new sections 11.2 and 12.6 of the SDS.

The ECHA Guidance on document on SDSs is currently being revised by a PEG (Partner Expert Group) following ECHA's general procedure.

If you have any further questions, please write to Cristina Arregui ([carregui@ifraorg.org](mailto:carregui@ifraorg.org)) at IFRA.

Best regards,

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Att. 01: COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2020/878

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<sup>3</sup> Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 of 19 April 2018 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 by setting out scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine disrupting properties (OJ L 101, 20.4.2018, p. 33).