

SASFORREACH Consortium

Information Letter 4 Synthetic Amorphous Silica (SAS): LoA Agreement / -Cost

Dear SIEF members,

With this SIEF Information Letter the SASFORREACH Consortium ("Consortium") would like to inform all SIEF members about the next steps in the REACH registration process for Synthetic Amorphous Silica (**EINECS # 231-545-4**), which includes:

- (i) Silica, amorphous, pyrogenic (fumed), crystalline-free (CAS#:7631-86-9, 112945-52-5);
- (ii) Silica gel, precipitated silica, crystalline-free (CAS#: 7631-86-9, 112926-00-8).

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The Consortium finalized the documents for the SIEF members who want to register Synthetic Amorphous Silica as described in the previous SIEF Information Letters and on the homepage of the Consortium [<http://www.reach-sas.org/>]. If you are interested in a joint submission please follow the guidance for a joint-registrant published on the webpage of the Consortium [<http://www.reach-sas.org/>].

The price for the letter of access to the joint registration dossier for Synthetic Amorphous Silica ("LoA") depends on the tonnage band for which a registration is made:

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| > 1000 t/a: | €200,000 |
| 100 - 1000t/a: | €180,000 |
| 10 - 100t/a: | €50,000 |
| 1 - 10t/a: | €30,000 |

The current cost calculation for the LoA cost is under review due to (i) the currently ongoing substance evaluation process with regard to SAS and the costs of complying with the additional information requirements resulting therefrom; (ii) the appeals filed against the final decision issued by ECHA as a result of such evaluation, (iii) the new implementation regulation and the new version of the guidance on data sharing ("Guidance").

The Consortium is therefore currently in the process of reviewing the current cost sharing model applied in the calculation of the price for a letter of access for SAS ("LoA"). This includes a recalculation of the LoA prices. Such recalculation may result in a different price for the LoA (i.e, either higher or lower).

It is expected that the new LoA price calculation will be completed **not before the REACH deadline May 2018**.

Any change of the LoA cost / reimbursement / additional payments will be communicated on the webpage and if necessary directly with the co-registrants.

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If your company fulfils the EU definition of a Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) the Consortium offers specific payment terms for a SME, due to fairness considerations.

After receipt of payment for the LoA, the lead registrant will provide purchasers of a LoA with a complete registration package, including a Letter of Access to the technical part of the dossier (parts 4 – 13) and the Chemical Safety Report.

For SAS the Guidance on safe use (chapter 11) is submitted jointly on behalf of all SIEF members. Therefore all further co-registrants may refer to this document.

With kind regards

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