Supporting Information for Low-Priority Substance Propanol, [(1-Methyl-1,2-Ethanediyl)Bis(Oxy)]Bis-(CASRN 24800-44-0) (Tripropylene Glycol) *Final Designation*

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1. Introduction

The Lautenberg amendments to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) require EPA to designate chemical substances as either High-Priority Substances for risk evaluation, or Low-Priority Substances for which risk evaluations are not warranted at this time (section 6(b)(1)(B) and implementing regulations (40 CFR 702.3)). A high-priority substance is defined as a chemical substance that the Administrator concludes, without consideration of costs or other non-risk factors, may present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment because of a potential hazard and a potential route of exposure under the conditions of use, including an unreasonable risk to potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations identified as relevant by the Administrator. If the Administrator concludes, based on information sufficient to establish, without consideration of costs or other non-risk factors, that the high-priority standard is not met, then the substance must be designated as a low-priority substance. Propanol, [(1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)bis(oxy)]bis-, referenced as tripropylene glycol for the remainder of this document, is one of the 40 chemical substances initiated for prioritization as referenced in a March 21, 2019 notice (84 FR 10491)¹ and one of the 20 proposed as low-priority substances in an August 15, 2019 notice (84 FR 41712).²

As described under EPA's regulations at 40 CFR 702.9³ and pursuant to section 6(b)(1)(A) of the statute, EPA generally used reasonably available information to screen the chemical substance under its conditions of use against the following criteria and considerations:

- the hazard and exposure potential of the chemical substance;
- persistence and bioaccumulation;
- potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations;
- storage near significant sources of drinking water;
- conditions of use or significant changes in the conditions of use of the chemical substance;
- the chemical substance's production volume or significant changes in production volume; and
- other risk-based criteria that EPA determines to be relevant to the designation of the chemical substance's priority.

Designation of a low-priority substance is not a finding that the chemical substance does not present an unreasonable risk, but rather that the chemical does not meet the statutory criteria for a highpriority substance and that a risk evaluation is not warranted at the time. As explained in the preamble to the Prioritization Rule, "low-priority substance designations give the public notice of chemical substances for which the hazard and/or exposure potential is anticipated to be low or nonexistent and provides some insight into which chemical substances are likely not to need additional evaluation and risk management under TSCA." 82 FR 33753 at 33755. EPA is not precluded from later revising the designation based on reasonably available information, if warranted. 40 CFR 702.13; 702.15.

¹ <u>https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/03/21/2019-05404/initiation-of-prioritization-under-the-toxic-substances-control-act-tsca</u>

² <u>https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/08/15/2019-17558/proposed-low-priority-substance-designation-under-the-toxic-substances-control-act-tsca-notice-of</u>

³ The prioritization process is explained in the <u>Procedures for Prioritization of Chemicals for Risk Evaluation Under the</u> <u>Toxic Substances Control Act</u> (82 FR 33753).

The screening review is not a risk evaluation, but rather a review of reasonably available information on the chemical substance that relates to the specific criteria and considerations in TSCA section 6(b)(1)(A) and 40 CFR 702.9. This paper documents the results of the screening review which supports the final designation of tripropylene glycol as a low-priority substance. EPA has also prepared a general response to comments and, as applicable, chemical-specific responses to comments.

This risk-based, screening-level review is organized as follows:

- Section 1 (Introduction): This section explains the requirements of the Lautenberg amendments to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and implementing regulations including the criteria and considerations -- pertinent to prioritization and designation of low-priority substances.
- Section 2 (Background on the Low-Priority Substance): This section includes information on attributes of the chemical substance, including its structure, and relates them to its functionality.
- Section 3 (Physical-Chemical Properties): This section includes a description of the physicalchemical properties of the chemical substance and explains how these properties lead to the chemical's fate, transport, and exposure potential.
- Section 4 (Relevant Assessment History): This section includes an overview of the outcomes of other governing entities' assessments of the chemical substance.
- Section 5 (Conditions of Use): This section presents the chemical substance's known, intended, and reasonably foreseen conditions of use under TSCA.
- *Section 6 (Hazard Characterization):* This section summarizes the reasonably available hazard information and screens the information against low-concern benchmarks.
- Section 7 (Exposure Characterization): This section includes a qualitative summary of potential exposures to the chemical substance.
- Section 8 (Summary of Findings): In this section, EPA presents information pertinent to prioritization against each of the seven statutory and regulatory criteria and considerations, and makes a conclusion based on that evidence.
- Section 9 (Final Designation): In this section, EPA presents the final designation for this chemical substance.
- *Appendix A (Conditions of Use Characterization):* This appendix contains a comprehensive list of TSCA and non-TSCA uses for the chemical substance from publicly available databases.
- *Appendix B (Hazard Characterization):* This appendix contains information on each of the studies used to support the hazard evaluation of the chemical substance.

- *Appendix C (Literature Search Outcomes):* This appendix includes literature search outcomes and rationales for studies that were identified in initial literature screening but were found to be off-topic or unacceptable for use in the screening-level review.
- *Appendix D (Summary of Public Comments):* This appendix includes sources of information for the chemical substance that the public recommended to EPA during a 90-day comment period following initiation⁴.

2. Background on Tripropylene Glycol

Table 1 below provides the CAS number, synonyms, and other information on tripropylene glycol.

Table 1: Tripropylene Glycol	at a Glance	
Chemical Name	Tripropylene Glycol	
CASRN	24800-44-0	
Synonyms	vanol, [(1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)bis(oxy)]bis-; ((Methylethylene)bis(oxy))dipropanol; -(2-Hydroxypropoxy)propoxy)-1-propanol; 2-(2-(2-Hydroxypropoxy)propoxy)propan- Tripropylene glycolmixture of isomers; 1-Propanol, 2-(2-(2- oxypropoxy)propoxy)-; 1,4,7-trimethyl-3,6-dioxaoctane-1,8-diol	
Trade Name(s)	TPG	
Molecular Formula	C ₉ H ₂₀ O ₄	
Representative Structure		

Tripropylene glycol is a mixture of isomeric chemical compounds formed as a byproduct or coproduct of the manufacture of propylene glycol. Tripropylene glycol is a colorless, nearly odorless, and slightly viscous liquid with a high boiling point. It is hygroscopic, completely soluble in water, and can also dissolve oils. These properties make tripropylene glycol a highly functional solvent used in a variety of applications and product sectors. Section 5 includes conditions of use for this chemical.

⁴ <u>https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EPA-HQ-OPPT-2019-0122-0001</u>

3. Physical-Chemical Properties

Table 2 lists physical-chemical properties for tripropylene glycol. A chemical's physical-chemical properties provide a basis for understanding a chemical's behavior, including in the environment and in living organisms. These endpoints provide information generally needed to assess potential environmental release, exposure, and partitioning as well as insight into the potential for adverse toxicological effects.

Table 2: Physical-Chemical Properties for Tripropylene Glycol						
Source/ Model	Data Type	Endpoint	Endpoint value	Notes		
Sigma Aldrich, 2019	Experimental	Physical state at room temp (based on melting point)	Liquid (-19.99°C at 1013 hPa (760 mmHg))			
Reported to the ECHA database, 2008; OECD SIDS, 2001; Kirk-Othmer 2006	Experimental	Molecular weight	192 g/mol			
EPISuitev.4.115	Calculated	Molecular weight	192.26 g/mol			
Lyman, 1990	Experimental	Molar volume	242 cm ³ /mol			
Reported to the ECHA database, 2019	Experimental	Water solubility	1000000 mg/L (100% vol) at 20 °C and pH 7.1- 8.4	ECHA value measured according to EU Method A.6, flask method.		
OECD SIDS, 2001	Experimental	Water solubility	1000000 mg/L (Freely soluble) at 25 °C			
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Water solubility	5.47x10⁵ mg/L			
Reported to the ECHA database, 2019	Experimental	Water solubility	5.20 mol/L			
OECD SIDS, 2001	Experimental	Water solubility	5.20 mol/L			
Reported to the ECHA database, 2019	Experimental	Log Kow	-0.379 at 21.5°C and pH 5.9	ECHA value measured according to EU Method A.8, shake flask.		
OECD SIDS, 2001	Experimental	Log Kow	0.5-0.6 at 25 °C			
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Log Kow	-0.5			

⁵ EPI Suite Physical Property Inputs – Boiling Point = 271 deg C, Melting Point = -30 deg C, Vapor Pressure = 0.00195 mm Hg, Water Solubility = 1000000 mg/L, Log P = -0.38, SMILES: CC(O)COC(C)COC(C)COC

Table 2: Physical-Chemica Source/ Model	Data Type	Endpoint	Endpoint value	Notes
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Log Koa	8.14	
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Log K _{oc}	1.0 (MCI); -0.29 (K _{ow})	
Reported to the ECHA database, 2019	Experimental	Vapor pressure	0.00195 mm Hg (0.26 Pa) at 25 °C	ECHA value measured according to EU Method A.4
OECD SIDS, 2001	Experimental	Vapor pressure	1.05 mm Hg (140 Pa) at 25 °C	
Kirk-Othmer, 2006	Experimental	Vapor Pressure	0.0023 mm Hg (0.0003 kPa) at 25 °C	
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Vapor pressure	4.82x10-3 mm Hg	
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Henry's Law	<1E-8 atm-m ³ /mole	
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Volatilization	69000 days (river) 750000 days (lake)	
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Photolysis (Indirect)	2.28 hours (T _{1/2})	 OH rate constant 5.63 E-11 cm³/molecule-second (12 hour day; 1.5E6 OH/cm³) No ozone prediction
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Hydrolysis	Hydrolysis cannot be estimated	No hydrolyzable functional groups
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Biodegradation potential	Ready prediction: No	
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	Wastewater treatment plant removal	93.5% Total Removal (93.2% biodegradation, 0.3% sludge, 0% air)	Input parameters: BIOP = 4, BioA = 1 and BioS = 1 based on 69% degradation after 28d by BOD (59% within 10d window) in 301D test; and 81.9% by BOD and 91.2% by DOC (59% within 10d window) in 301F test
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	BAF	0.9	
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	BCF	3.16	

Based on its reported physical form and measured melting point, tripropylene glycol is a liquid under ambient conditions (Sigma Aldrich, 2019). Exposure through direct dermal contact with the substance is possible, but concern is lessened because this chemical is expected to be a slow skin penetrant (discussed in Section 6.1.1) and likely to be minimally absorbed through skin based on its molecular weight, water solubility and log K_{ow} . Because of its measured vapor pressure (OECD SIDS, 2001), tripropylene glycol is expected to be volatile when in neat form at ambient temperatures. As a result, exposure to tripropylene glycol is possible through inhalation of vapors and aerosols if they are generated. Based on measured solubility data (OECD SIDS, 2001), tripropylene glycol is considered water soluble, indicating the potential for this substance to dissolve in water and form an aqueous solution. Water soluble substances have an increased potential absorption through the lungs; therefore, if inhalation of vapors or aerosols occurs, absorption through the lungs is likely. Exposure potential changes if tripropylene glycol is present in diluted form. The estimated Henry's Law constant for tripropylene glycol (EPI Suite, 2019) indicates volatilization from water and aqueous solutions would be minimal; therefore exposure through breathing vapor from a dilute form is expected to be minimal. Absorption and sequestration in fatty tissues is unlikely, as reflected in the estimated bioconcentration factor (BCF) and bioaccumulation factor (BAF) values for this compound (EPI Suite, 2019). The estimated log K_{oc} (EPI Suite, 2019) indicates this substance is highly mobile in soils, increasing its potential for leaching into groundwater, including well water. If oral exposure occurs via ingestion of contaminated drinking water, including well water, absorption through the gastrointestinal tract is likely based on experimental evidence (discussed in Section 6.1.1). Concern for presence in drinking water is reduced in part by tripropylene glycol's biodegradation (discussed in Section 6.3.1) and low-hazard findings from toxicological studies of organisms exposed to a closelyrelated analog in drinking water (discussed in Section 6.1).

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4. Relevant Assessment History

EPA assessed the toxicological profile of tripropylene glycol and added the chemical to the Safer Choice Program's Safer Chemical Ingredients List (SCIL) in September 2012 under the functional class of solvents. The SCIL⁶ is a continuously updated list of chemicals that meet low-concern Safer Choice criteria.⁷

EPA also reviewed international assessments of tripropylene glycol. EPA identified assessments by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), and government agencies in Canada, Australia, and Germany.

The OECD Screening Information Datasets (SIDS) Initial Assessment Meeting (SIAM) discussed the SIDS Initial Assessment Report (SIAR) on tripropylene glycol in July 1994. The SIAM determined this chemical to be "low potential risk and low priority for further work."⁸

The Canadian Government, through an assessment of toxicity and exposure as part of its categorization of the Domestic Substance List, found that tripropylene glycol did not meet its criteria for further attention.⁹

Japan's National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE) categorized tripropylene glycol as Class 5 for Exposure in 2016, and "Out of classification for 2017."¹⁰

The German Environment Agency (UBA) designated tripropylene glycol as "low hazard to waters" in August 2017 based on an assessment of ecotoxicity and environmental fate.¹¹

⁶ <u>https://www.epa.gov/saferchoice/safer-ingredients</u>

⁷ <u>https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2013-12/documents/dfe_master_criteria_safer_ingredients_v2_1.pdf</u>

⁸ <u>https://hpvchemicals.oecd.org/ui/handler.axd?id=0904e02a-7bd2-4898-816f-2f26670b6992</u>

⁹ <u>https://canadachemicals.oecd.org/ChemicalDetails.aspx?ChemicalID=1355D4A8-AED4-463A-8818-AE290EE9D32B</u>

¹⁰ <u>http://www.safe.nite.go.jp/jcheck//direct.action?TYPE=DPAGE1&CAS=24800-44-0&MITI=2-430</u>

¹¹ <u>https://webrigoletto.uba.de/rigoletto/public/searchDetail.do?kennummer=779</u>

5. Conditions of Use

Per TSCA section 3(4), the term "conditions of use" means the circumstances, as determined by the Administrator, under which a chemical substance is intended, known, or reasonably foreseen to be manufactured, processed, distributed in commerce, used, or disposed of. EPA assembled information on all uses of tripropylene glycol (Appendix A) to inform which uses would be determined conditions of use.¹² One source of information that EPA used to help determine conditions of use is 2016 Chemical Data Reporting (CDR). The CDR rule (previously known as the Inventory Update Rule, or IUR), under TSCA section 8, requires manufacturers (including importers) to report information on the chemical substances they produce domestically or import into the U.S., generally above a reporting threshold of 25,000 lb. per site per year. CDR includes information on the manufacturing, processing, and use of chemical substances with information dating to the mid-1980s. CDR may not provide information on other life-cycle phases such as the chemical substance's end-of-life after use in products (i.e., disposal).

According to CDR, tripropylene glycol is manufactured domestically and imported. It is used in processing (incorporation into formulation, mixture or reaction for mining (except oil and gas) and support activities, and incorporation into articles, such as textiles, apparel, leather manufacturing); it is also used as a reactant in plastic material and resin manufacturing and petrochemical manufacturing. Industrial, commercial, and consumers uses include cleaning and furniture care products, lubricants and greases, and water treatment. Based on the known manufacturing, processing, and uses of this chemical substance, EPA assumes distribution in commerce. According to CDR, six facilities reported not recycling (e.g., not recycled, remanufactured, reprocessed, or reused) tripropylene glycol, and one facility reported recycling information as confidential business information (CBI). No information on disposal is found in CDR or through EPA's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Program¹³ since tripropylene glycol is not a TRI-reportable chemical. Although reasonably available information did not specify additional types of disposal, for purposes of this prioritization designation, EPA assumed end-of-life pathways that include releases to air, wastewater, surface water, and land via solid and liquid waste based on the conditions of use (e.g., incineration, landfill).

To supplement CDR, EPA conducted research through the publicly available databases listed in Appendix A (Table A.2) and performed additional internet searches to clarify conditions of use or find additional occupational¹⁴ and consumer uses. This research improved the Agency's understanding of the conditions of use for tripropylene glycol. In the course of this research, EPA identified uses of tripropylene glycol in laboratory chemicals, cleaning and furnishing care products, lubricants and greases, water treatments, antifreeze and deicing products, agricultural products, adhesives, and drilling fluids. Although EPA identified uses of tripropylene glycol in personal care products, the screening review covered TSCA conditions of use for the chemical substance and personal care products were not considered in EPA's assessment. Exclusions to TSCA's regulatory scope regarding "chemical substance" can be found at TSCA section 3(2). Table 3 lists the conditions

¹² The prioritization process, including the definition of conditions of use, is explained in the <u>Procedures for Prioritization</u> of <u>Chemicals for Risk Evaluation Under the Toxic Substances Control Act</u> (82 FR 33753).

¹³ https://www.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program

¹⁴ Occupational uses include industrial and/or commercial uses

of use for tripropylene glycol considered for chemical substance prioritization, per TSCA section 3(4). Table 3 reflects the TSCA uses determined as conditions of use listed in Table A.3 (Appendix A).

Table 3: Conditions of Use Life Cycle Stage	Category	Subcategory of Use	Source
Manufacturing	Domestic manufacture	Domestic manufacture	EPA (2017b)
manalaotaning	Import	Import	
Processing	Processing- incorporation into	Intermediates: mining (except oil and gas) and support	EPA (2017b)
Troccosing	formulation, mixture or reaction	activities	
		Finishing agents- textiles, apparel, and leather	-
	Processing—incorporation into article	manufacturing	
	Processing as a reactant	Intermediates- plastic material and resin manufacturing;	
	3 • • • • • • •	petrochemical manufacturing	
		Metal manufacturing;	SPIN (2018)
		transportation equipment manufacturing;	
		wood manufacturing	
	Recycling	Recycling	EPA (2017b) ¹⁵
Distribution	Distribution	Distribution	EPA (2017b)
	Fabric, textile, and leather products not		EPA (2017b); SPIN (2018)
Commercial uses	covered elsewhere		
Commercial uses	Lubricants and greases		EPA (2017b)
	Laboratory chemicals		Sigma Aldrich (2018), Reported to the ECHA database, 2018
	Cleaning and furniture care products	Cleaning/washing agents, window/glass cleaner	GoodGuide (2011); Synapse Information Resources (n.d.); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018
Industrial/commercial/	Lubricants and greases		EPA (2017b); Silver Fern Chemical,
consumer uses			Inc.(2018); Synapse Information
			Resources (n.d.); NLM (2018b);
			Reported to the ECHA database, 2018; SPIN (2018)
	Water treatment		Reported to the ECHA database, 2018

¹⁵ In the 2016 CDR, six facilities reported not recycling (e.g., not recycled, remanufactured, reprocessed, or reused) tripropylene glycol, and one facility reported recycling information as CBI (EPA 2017b).

Table 3: Conditions of Use	for Tripropylene Glycol		
Life Cycle Stage	Category	Subcategory of Use	Source
Commercial/consumer	Anti-freeze and de-icing products		Synapse Information Resources (n.d.)
	Solvent	Agricultural products (non-pesticidal) ¹⁶	NLM (2018b); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018
Unknown		Dry cleaning detergents; adhesives and sealant chemicals; automotive trade and repair; cooling media; drilling fluids; emulsion-inhibiting agents; inks; paints and coatings; process regulators	NLM (2018b), Synapse Information Resources (n.d.) SPIN (2018); Ullmann's (2010); Kirk-Othmer (2004); Dow (2018); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018; Dow (2016); Ullman's 2011
	Surfactants		SPIN (2018)
Disposal	Releases to air, wastewater, solid and liquid wastes.		Though not explicitly identified, releases from disposal were assumed to be reasonably foreseen ¹⁷

¹⁶ Information on the use of tripropylene glycol in agricultural products is not sufficient to determine if the use is a TSCA or non-TSCA use.

¹⁷ See Section 5 for a discussion on why releases were assumed to be reasonably foreseen for purposes of this prioritization designation.

6. Hazard Characterization

EPA reviewed primary literature and other data sources to identify reasonably available information. This literature review approach¹⁸ is tailored to capture the reasonably available information associated with low-hazard chemicals. EPA also used this process to verify the reasonably available information for reliability, completeness, and consistency. EPA reviewed the reasonably available information to identify relevant, quality studies to evaluate the hazard potential for tripropylene glycol against the endpoints listed below. EPA's New Chemicals Program has used these endpoints for decades to evaluate chemical substances under TSCA¹⁹ and EPA toxicologists rely on these endpoints as key indicators of potential human health and environmental effects. These endpoints also align with internationally accepted hazard characterization criteria, such as the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals²⁰ as noted above in Section 4 and form the basis of the comparative hazard assessment of chemicals.

Human health endpoints evaluated: Acute mammalian toxicity, repeated dose toxicity, carcinogenicity, mutagenicity/genotoxicity, reproductive and developmental toxicity, neurotoxicity, skin sensitization, respiratory sensitization, immunotoxicity and eye and skin irritation.

Environmental fate and effects endpoints evaluated: Aquatic toxicity, environmental persistence, and bioaccumulation.

Table 4: Low concern Criteria for Human Health and Environmental Fate and Effects								
	Human Health							
Acute Mammalian Toxicity ²¹	Moderate	Low						
Oral LD50 (mg/kg)	≤ 50	> 50 – 300	> 300 - 2000	> 2000				
Dermal LD50 (mg/kg)	≤ 200	> 200 – 1000	> 1000 - 2000	> 2000				
Inhalation LC50 (vapor/gas) (mg/L)	≤ 2	> 2 - 10	> 10 - 20	> 20				
Inhalation LC50 (dust/mist/fume) (mg/L)	≤ 0.5	> 0.5 - 1.0	> 1.0 - 5	> 5				

The low-concern criteria used to evaluate both human health and environmental fate and effects are included in Table 4 below.

¹⁸ Discussed in the document "Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances Under TSCA," which can be found at <u>https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EPA-HQ-OPPT-2019-0450-0002</u>.

¹⁹ <u>https://www.epa.gov/sustainable-futures/sustainable-futures-p2-framework-manual</u>

²⁰ <u>https://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/danger/publi/ghs/ghs_rev07/English/ST_SG_AC10_30_Rev7e.pdf</u>

²¹ Values derived from GHS criteria (*Chapter 3.1: Acute Toxicity.* 2009, United Nations).

Table 4: Low concern	Criteria for Human Heal	th and Environmental F	ate and Effects	
Repeated Dose Toxicity, Neurotoxicity, and Immunotoxicity (90- day study) ²²		High	Moderate	Low
Oral (mg/kg-bw/day)		< 10	10 - 100	> 100
Dermal (mg/kg- bw/day)		< 20	20 - 200	> 200
Inhalation (vapor/gas) (mg/L/6h/day)		< 0.2	0.2 - 1.0	> 1.0
Inhalation (dust/mist/fume) (mg/L/6h/day)		< 0.02	0.02 - 0.2	> 0.2
Reproductive and				
Developmental Toxicity ²³		High	Moderate	Low
Oral (mg/kg/day)		< 50	50 - 250	> 250
Dermal (mg/kg/day)		< 100	100 - 500	> 500
Inhalation (vapor, gas, mg/L/day)		< 1	1 - 2.5	> 2.5
Inhalation (dust/mist/fume, mg/L/day)		< 0.1	0.1 - 0.5	> 0.5
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity ²⁴	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
Germ cell mutagenicity	GHS Category 1A or 1B: Substances known to induce heritable mutations or to be regarded as if they induce heritable mutations in the germ cells of humans.	GHS Category 2: Substances which cause concern for humans owing to the possibility that they may induce heritable mutations in the germ cells of humans.	Evidence of mutagenicity support by positive results <i>in vitro</i>	Negative for chromosomal aberrations and gene mutations,
Mutagenicity and Genotoxicity in Somatic Cells		OR Evidence of mutagenicity supported by positive results in <i>in vitro</i> AND <i>in vivo</i> somatic cells	OR <i>in vivo</i> somatic cells of humans or animals	or no structural alerts.

²² Values from GHS criteria for Specific Target Organ Toxicity Repeated Exposure (*Chapter 3.9: Specific Target Organ Toxicity Repeated* Exposure. 2009, United Nations).

²³ Values derived from the US EPA's Office of Pollution Prevention & Toxics criteria for HPV chemical categorizations (*Methodology for Risk-Based Prioritization Under ChAMP*), and the EU REACH criteria for Annex IV (2007).

²⁴ From GHS criteria (*Chapter 3.5: Germ Cells Mutagenicity.* 2009, United Nations) and supplemented with considerations for mutagenicity and genotoxicity in cells other than germs cells.

Table 4: Low concern	Criteria for Human Heal	th and Environmental F	ate and Effects	
		and/or germ cells of humans or animals.		
Carcinogenicity ²⁵	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
	Known or presumed human carcinogen (GHS Category 1A and 1B)	Suspected human carcinogen (GHS Category 2)	Limited or marginal evidence of carcinogenicity in animals (and inadequate ²⁶ evidence in humans)	Negative studies or robust mechanism- based SAR
Sensitization ²⁷		High	Moderate	Low
Skin sensitization		High frequency of sensitization in humans and/or high potency in animals (GHS Category 1A) Occurrence in humans or evidence of sensitization in	Low to moderate frequency of sensitization in human and/or low to moderate potency in animals (GHS Category 1B) Limited evidence including the presence of structural alerts	Adequate data available and not GHS Category 1A or 1B Adequate data available indicating lack of
sensitization		humans based on animal or other tests (equivalent to GHS Category 1A or 1B)		respiratory sensitization
Irritation/ Corrosivity ²⁸	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
Eye Irritation/ Corrosivity	Irritation persists for >21 days or corrosive	Clearing in 8-21 days, severely irritating	Clearing in 7 days or less, moderately irritating	Clearing in less than 24 hours, mildly irritating
Skin Irritation/ Corrosivity	Corrosive	Severe irritation at 72 hours	Moderate irritation at 72 hours	Mild or slight irritation at 72 hours

²⁵ Criteria mirror classification approach used by the IARC (*Preamble to the IARC Monographs: B. Scientific Review and Evaluation: 6. Evaluation and rationale.* 2006) and incorporate GHS classification scheme (*Chapter 3.6: Carcinogenicity.* 2009, United Nations).

²⁶ EPA's approach to determining the adequacy of information is discussed in the document "Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances Under TSCA", also released at proposal.

²⁷ Incorporates GHS criteria (Chapter 3.4: Respiratory or Skin Sensitization. 2009, United Nations).

²⁸ Criteria derived from the Office of Pesticide Programs Acute Toxicity Categories (US EPA. Label Review Manual. 2010).

Table 4: Low concern Criteria for Human Health and Environmental Fate and Effects				
Environmental Fate and Effects				
Acute Aquatic Toxicity Value (L/E/IC50) ²⁹	Chronic Aquatic Toxicity Value (L/E/IC50) ²⁹	Persistence (Measured in terms of level of biodegradation) ³⁰ Bioaccumulation Potential ³¹ Potential ³¹		
May be low concern if ≤10 ppm…	and <1 ppmand the chemical meets the 10-day window as measured in a ready biodegradation test			
Low concern if >10 ppm and <100 ppm	and >1 ppm and <10 ppm	m andand the chemical reaches the pass level within 28 days as measured in a ready biodegradation test		
Low concern if ≥100 ppm	and <u>></u> 10 ppm	and the chemical has a half-life < 60 days		

6.1 Human Health Hazard

Below is a summary of the reasonably available information that EPA included in the hazard evaluation of tripropylene glycol. In many cases, EPA used analogous chemicals to make findings for a given endpoint. Where this is case, use of the analog is explained. If the chemical studied is not named, the study is for tripropylene glycol. Appendix B contains more information on each study.

Tripropylene glycol is a mixture of branched isomers generated as byproducts or coproducts in the manufacture of propylene glycol when some of the dipropylene glycol formed reacts with unreacted propylene oxide (methyl oxirane) feedstock. The positions of the methyl groups in the product are unspecified. Both analogs used to inform EPA's understanding of this chemical are oligomeric propylene glycols like tripropylene glycol. Dipropylene glycol is a mixture of dipropylene glycol isomers similar to tripropylene glycol but containing two propylene oxide equivalents instead of three. The analog 1,1'-dimethyl diethylene glycol is a specific isomer and a component of dipropylene glycol based on similarity in structure, physical chemical properties, and functionality, with the assumption that these chemicals will have similar environmental transport and persistence characteristics, and bioavailability and toxicity profiles. Differences in the methyl group positions in these chemicals are not expected to significantly affect their chemical and hazard profiles. Based on these factors, the environmental and toxicological effects of dipropylene glycol and tripropylene glycol are expected to be very similar to each other.

²⁹ Derived from GHS criteria (*Chapter 4.1: Hazards to the Aquatic Environment.* 2009, United Nations), EPA OPPT New Chemicals Program (*Pollution Prevention (P2) Framework*, 2005) and OPPT's criteria for HPV chemical categorization (*Methodology for Risk Based Prioritization Under ChAMP. 2009*).

³⁰ Derived from OPPT's New Chemicals Program and DfE Master Criteria, and reflects OPPT policy on PBTs (*Design for the Environment Program Master Criteria for Safer Chemicals, 2010*).

³¹ Derived from OPPT's New Chemicals Program and Arnot & Gobas (2006) [Arnot, J.A. and F.A. Gobas, *A review of bioconcentration factor (BCF) and bioaccumulation factor (BAF) assessments for organic chemicals* in aquatic organisms. Environmental Reviews, 2006. 14: p. 257-297.]

Table 5: Tripro	pylene Glycol and Analog S	Structures
CASRN	Name	Structure
24800-44-0	Tripropylene glycol (mixture)	HO CH_2 OH CH_2 OH CH_2 OH Representative structure
25265-71-8	Dipropylene glycol (mixed isomers)	$\left[\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ H_{3}C \\ H_{$
110-98-5	1,1'-Dimethyldiethylene glycol	Representative structure
		HO OH CH_3 CH_3

6.1.1 Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism, and Excretion

Absorption

To assess absorption potential, EPA used experimental studies on tripropylene glycol and dipropylene glycol. Rats exposed to ¹⁴C-tripropylene glycol by oral gavage rapidly absorbed the chemical, as indicated by recovery of 91.4% of the administered dose 24 hours following exposure (<u>OECD, 2001</u>; <u>Reported to the ECHA database, 1995a</u>).

In vitro studies were used to assess the potential for dermal absorption by dipropylene glycol. Excised abdominal skin from human cadavers demonstrated dipropylene glycol is a slow penetrant, with results indicating a permeability coefficient of 3.85×10^{-5} cm/hour (Fasano et al., 2011; Reported to the ECHA database, 2007b; Fasano, 2007).

Based on its low molecular weight and high water solubility (Table 2), tripropylene glycol is expected to be absorbed from the lungs if inhaled (Section 3).

Distribution

Tripropylene glycol is considered water soluble based on its physical-chemical properties (Table 2) and is likely to be distributed mainly in aqueous compartments in an organism. This prediction is supported by experimental evidence. Rats exposed to tripropylene glycol by oral gavage contained radiolabeled tripropylene glycol in the tissues and the carcass 24 hours following exposure. Specifically, tripropylene glycol was reported in the liver at 0.20%, kidneys at 0.09%, carcass at 0.06%, blood at 0.03%, and skin, brain, muscle, and fat at less than 0.03%. (as percent of the administered dose per gram of tissue) (OECD, 2001; Reported to the ECHA database, 1995a). These data indicate tissue distribution of tripropylene glycol was rapid, especially to the liver and kidney, 24 hours after dosing and provide evidence that tripropylene glycol will be rapidly distributed following oral absorption.

Metabolism

Tripropylene glycol was orally administered in rats and was rapidly metabolized to dipropylene glycol, then to propylene glycol, which is converted to lactic and pyruvic acids or excreted in the urine. Lactate and pyruvate may be further metabolized through the citric acid cycle to yield carbon dioxide and water or may be stored as glycogen (OECD, 2001; Reported to the ECHA database, 1995a). Rats exposed to ¹⁴C-tripropylene glycol by oral gavage excreted approximately 13% as free or conjugated tripropylene glycol, approximately 8.4% as free and conjugated dipropylene glycol, and approximately 3.9% as free and conjugated propylene glycol (OECD, 2001; Reported to the ECHA database, 1995a). These data indicate that tripropylene glycol will be rapidly metabolized.

Excretion

Following the oral administration of tripropylene glycol to rats, 52% was recovered in urine, 21% in exhaled CO₂, and 5% in the feces after 24 hours (<u>OECD</u>, 2001; <u>Reported to the ECHA database</u>, <u>1995a</u>). These data indicate that tripropylene glycol will be excreted from the body, as opposed to accumulating in tissues, following exposure.

6.1.2 Acute Toxicity

EPA assessed the mammalian toxicity potential from acute exposure by tripropylene glycol using results from oral, dermal, and inhalation exposure studies. One study exposed rats to tripropylene glycol by oral gavage and reported a LD_{50} of 11,500 mg/kg (Reported to the ECHA database, 1974c). Another study exposed rats to tripropylene glycol via drinking water and reported no mortality in any dose group, resulting in a predicted LD_{50} greater than 2000 mg/kg (JETOC, 1997; Reported to the ECHA database, 1993a). These results provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for acute toxicity with expected LD_{50} s above the low-concern benchmark of 2000 mg/kg for oral exposures.

A study on rabbits exposed to tripropylene glycol dermally reported no adverse effects at the single dose tested (16,320 mg/kg), resulting in an LD₅₀ greater than 16,320 mg/kg (Reported to the ECHA database, 1974a). This result provides sufficient information to indicate low concern for acute toxicity with expected LD₅₀s above the low-concern benchmark of 2000 mg/kg for dermal exposures.

A study on rats exposed to 0.083 mg/L of tripropylene glycol in saturated vapor for eight hours and then observed for two weeks reported no mortalities (Reported to the ECHA database, 1974b). Based on tripropylene glycol's vapor pressure of 0.00195 torr, the expected air saturation concentration is around 0.02 mg/L at room temperature, which is below the study concentration of 0.083 mg/L, indicating no adverse effects are likely at complete air saturation. Considering the chemical's physical-chemical properties (discussed in Section 3) and available experimental data, these results provide sufficient information to indicate tripropylene glycol is of low concern for acute toxicity from inhalation exposures based on no adverse effects reported at the expected air saturation concentration.

6.1.3 Repeated Dose Toxicity

EPA assessed the potential for mammalian toxicity from repeated exposures by tripropylene glycol using a combined repeated dose, reproductive, and developmental study (OECD, 1994; Reported to the ECHA database, 1993c). Rats were exposed to tripropylene glycol via oral gavage for 49 days, beginning 14 days prior to mating and through lactation day 3 for females. The no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) was 200 mg/kg-day and the lowest observed adverse effect level (LOAEL) was 1000 mg/kg-day based on changes in organ weight in parents.

For further supporting evidence, EPA also assessed results from mice and rats repeatedly exposed to dipropylene glycol in drinking water. A study on mice exposed to dipropylene glycol in drinking water for 13 weeks demonstrated a NOAEL of 2620 mg/kg-day and a LOAEL of 4790 mg/kg-day based on increased liver weight (<u>Reported to the ECHA database, 2004g; NTP, 2004</u>). A study on rats exposed to dipropylene glycol in drinking water for 14 weeks demonstrated a NOAEL of 425 mg/kg-day and a LOAEL of 890 mg/kg-day based on relative liver weight (<u>Reported to the ECHA database, 2004f; NTP, 2004</u>). A two year study on mice exposed to dipropylene glycol in drinking water demonstrated a NOAEL of 1040 mg/kg-day and a LOAEL of 1950 mg/kg-day based on decreased mean body weight (<u>Reported to the ECHA database, 2004e; NTP, 2004</u>). A study on rats exposed to dipropylene glycol for two years in drinking water demonstrated a NOAEL of 115 mg/kg-day and a LOAEL of 470 mg/kg-day based on incidence of nephropathy, focal histiocytic and focal granulomatous inflammation in male livers (<u>Reported to the ECHA database, 2004b, d; NTP, 2004</u>).

All of these results provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for toxicity resulting from repeated exposures by exceeding the oral low-concern benchmark of 100 mg/kg-day for a 90-day study.

6.1.4 Reproductive and Developmental Toxicity

EPA assessed the potential for mammalian reproductive and developmental toxicity using the combined repeated dose, reproductive, and developmental study discussed in Section 6.1.3 (OECD, 1994; Reported to the ECHA database, 1993c). Rats were exposed to tripropylene glycol via gavage for 49 days, beginning 14 days prior to mating and continuing through lactation day 3 for females. The authors reported no reproductive (mating, fertility and estrus cycle) or developmental effects (external examinations of the pups and pup body weight gain) at the highest dose tested (1000 mg/kg-day). The NOAEL for this study was 1000 mg/kg-day. These results provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for reproductive toxicity by exceeding the 250 mg/kg-day oral benchmark.

EPA further assessed the potential for developmental toxicity using read across from dipropylene glycol. A study on pregnant rats exposed during gestational day (GD) 6-15 reported a developmental

NOAEL of 2000 mg/kg-day and a LOAEL of 5000 mg/kg-day based on decreased fetal weight (OECD, 2001; BUA, 1996; Bates et al., 1992b; Reported to the ECHA database, 1990b). A study on rabbits exposed to dipropylene glycol during GD 6-19 reported no adverse effects at the highest dose tested (1200 mg/kg-day), resulting in a NOAEL of 1200 mg/kg-day (OECD, 2001; Bates et al., 1992a; Reported to the ECHA database, 1990a). These results provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for developmental toxicity by exceeding the 250 mg/kg-day benchmark.

6.1.5 Genotoxicity

EPA assessed experimental studies on genotoxicity as a potential indicator of genotoxic carcinogenicity using read across from dipropylene glycol. Three *in vitro* gene mutation studies resulted in negative findings from dipropylene glycol exposure with and without metabolic activation in *Salmonella typhimurium* (Reported to the ECHA database, 2004c; NTP, 2004; Reported to the ECHA database, 1992a) and mouse lymphoma cells (Reported to the ECHA database, 1988). Further, a mouse *in vivo* study indicated negative results for chromosomal aberrations in the form of micronucleated polychromatic erythrocytes from dipropylene glycol exposure (OECD, 2001; Reported to the ECHA database, 1999). These negative results in an analog provide sufficient information to indicate tripropylene glycol has low concern for genotoxicity.

6.1.6 Carcinogenicity

EPA assessed the potential for tripropylene glycol to cause carcinogenicity in mice and rats using read across from dipropylene glycol. A study on rats exposed to dipropylene glycol in drinking water for two years demonstrated no dose-related effects on cancer incidence or cancer-related effects at the highest dose tested (3040 mg/kg-day in males, 2330 mg/kg-day in females), resulting in a negative finding for carcinogenicity (Reported to the ECHA database, 2004a, b; NTP, 2004). Similarly, a study on mice exposed to dipropylene glycol in drinking water for two years also demonstrated no adverse effects at the highest dose tested (2390 mg/kg-day in males, 1950 mg/kg-day in females), resulting in a negative finding for carcinogenicity (Reported to the ECHA database, 2004a; NTP, 2004). Using read-across from this analog, these negative results provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for carcinogenicity for tripropylene glycol.

6.1.7 Neurotoxicity

While no traditional neurotoxicity studies were available for tripropylene glycol or closely related analogs, EPA assessed the potential for neurotoxicity using relevant endpoints measured in repeated dose studies and using accepted new approach methodologies (NAMs), such as U.S. EPA's ToxCast.³²

A repeated dose study on rats exposed to tripropylene glycol by oral gavage reported no effects on the limited neurological endpoints that were evaluated (i.e., brain histopathology only). Tripropylene glycol did not produce histopathological lesions in the brain of rats at doses up to 1,000 mg/kg-day (highest dose tested) in a study when males were exposed for 49 days and females were exposed from 14 days prior to mating until day 3 of lactation (OECD, 1994).

³² <u>https://comptox.epa.gov/dashboard</u> Chemical specific assay list can be found at <u>https://comptox.epa.gov/dashboard/dsstoxdb/results?search=24800-44-0</u>

ToxCast results for tripropylene glycol included 8 *in vitro* high throughput biochemical- and cellbased assays related to neurological functions.³³ Bioactivity was not induced in any assay by tripropylene glycol.

These results provide sufficient information to indicate there is low concern for neurotoxicity associated with tripropylene glycol. This finding is also supported by the low hazard findings for other human health hazard endpoints, including toxicity from acute exposures, reproductive toxicity, and developmental toxicity.

6.1.8 Skin Sensitization

EPA assessed the potential for tripropylene glycol to cause skin sensitization using available experimental studies on dipropylene glycol. A study on guinea pigs (<u>Reported to the ECHA database</u>, 1995d) and three human studies (<u>Reported to the ECHA database</u>, 1995c; Johansen et al., 1995; <u>Leberco Labs</u>, 1994) reported negative results for dipropylene glycol, providing sufficient information to indicate low concern for tripropylene glycol to induce skin sensitization.

6.1.9 Respiratory Sensitization

Experimental data determined to be of adequate quality³⁴ on tripropylene glycol or closely related analogs were not reasonably available for the assessment of respiratory sensitization potential for tripropylene glycol, EPA used NAMs, such as the QSAR Toolbox, version 4.2 models³⁵ for keratinocyte gene expression; protein binding potency h-CLAT; protein binding potency cysteine; protein binding potency lysine; and respiratory sensitization. No structural alerts were identified for tripropylene glycol. The results from these NAMs and weight of the scientific evidence provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for respiratory sensitization.

6.1.10 Immunotoxicity

EPA reviewed the literature for immunotoxicity endpoints such as lymphoid organ weight, histopathology, and immune function. Specific endpoints included immune system function (e.g., T-cell dependent antibody response), immunophenotyping (e.g., changes in cell types), natural killer cell activity, host resistance assays, macrophage neutrophil function, and cell-mediated immunity assays. Experimental data determined to be of adequate quality³⁶ on tripropylene glycol or closely related analogs were not reasonably available for the assessment of immunotoxicity potential.

³³ EPA reviewed reasonably available information in the ToxCast database for neurological functions. Reference: Chushak Y., Shows H., Gearhart J., Pangburn H. 2018. In silico identification of protein targets for chemical neurotoxins using Toxcast in vitro data and read-across within the QSAR toolbox. Toxicology Research issue 3. Supplemental files: https://pubs.rsc.org/en/content/articlelanding/2018/tx/c7tx00268h#!divAbstract.

³⁴ The literature search and review process to determine studies of adequate quality for inclusion in the screening review is further discussed in the document "Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances under TSCA." <u>https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EPA-HQ-OPPT-2019-0450-0002</u>.

³⁵ The OECD QSAR Toolbox is one of EPA's listed new approach methodologies under TSCA 4(h)(2), available at <u>https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2019-12/documents/alternative_testing_nams_list_first_update_final.pdf</u>

³⁶ The literature search and review process to determine studies of adequate quality for inclusion in the screening review is further discussed in the document "Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances under TSCA." <u>https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EPA-HQ-OPPT-2019-0450-0002</u>.

Repeated dose testing is designed to be comprehensive in nature and is intended to address a wide range of possible impacts, including, but not limited to immunotoxicity. The testing required to address repeated dose toxicity typically includes routine clinical observations, hematology and clinical biochemistry, body weight/food and water consumption, as well as both gross necropsy and histopathology involving organs and organ systems. For example, repeated dose studies can evaluate changes to the spleen or thymus, which with accompanying histological changes or changes in hematological parameters can indicate potential for immunological toxicity. Where immune systemrelated endpoints were measured in repeated dose studies, any adverse effects would be incorporated into the lowest observed adverse effect level used against the low-concern benchmarks. Therefore, EPA relied on this information from repeated dose studies when it was reasonably available. For tripropylene glycol, the included repeated dose studies did not report changes in lymphoid organ weights (thymus, spleen, lymph nodes), with accompanying histopathology, or hematological changes due to exposure to this chemical substance in mammals. These results provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for immunotoxicity potential from tripropylene glycol.

6.1.11 Skin Irritation

EPA assessed dermal irritation effects using experimental results on rabbits and humans. Humans exposed to tripropylene glycol in a dermal patch study displayed mild erythema at 30 minutes, but the effects were fully reversed by 24 hours, resulting in negative results for skin irritation (<u>Reported to the ECHA database, 1995b</u>). A longer dermal patch study on humans for 14 days also reported negative results for tripropylene glycol to induce skin irritation (<u>Reported to the ECHA database, 1997</u>). Another study demonstrated tripropylene glycol caused mild irritation in rabbits (<u>Reported to the ECHA database, 1974e</u>). These results provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for skin irritation by tripropylene glycol.

6.1.12 Eye Irritation

To assess potential for eye irritation, EPA used the results of *in vivo* and *in vitro* studies. Rabbits exposed to tripropylene glycol displayed conjunctival redness and a subset displayed chemosis after one hour, but these results were fully reversible by 24 hours, leading to a negative result for eye irritation (Reported to the ECHA database, 2010a). These results are supported by another rabbit study with similar reversible effects and a non-irritating finding (Reported to the ECHA database, 1974d). An *in vitro* human corneal epithelium model study also reported tripropylene glycol as negative for inducing ocular irritation (Reported to the ECHA database, 2010b). These results provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for eye irritation by tripropylene glycol.

6.1.13 Hazards to Potentially Exposed or Susceptible Subpopulations

The above information supports a low human health hazard finding for tripropylene glycol based on low concern criteria. This finding includes considerations such as the potential for developmental toxicity, reproductive toxicity, and acute or repeated dose toxicity that may impact potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations. Based on the hazard information discussed in Section 6, EPA did not identify populations with greater susceptibility to tripropylene glycol.

6.2 Environmental Hazard

To review environmental hazard endpoints without adequate quality³⁴ experimental data, EPA used widely accepted new approach methodologies (NAMs), such as modeling and estimation tools often

based on physical-chemical properties, which provided information sufficient to fill these endpoints and form the basis for designation. EPA assessed environmental hazard for tripropylene glycol based on available experimental data and estimated toxicity values using the Ecological Structure Active (ECOSAR) Predictive Model.³⁷ Appendix B contains a summary of the reasonably available environmental hazard data.

6.2.1 Acute Aquatic Toxicity

EPA assessed environmental hazard from acute exposures to tripropylene glycol using experimental data. No adverse effects were observed in aquatic vertebrates, aquatic invertebrates, or algae exposed to tripropylene glycol at the highest doses tested (1000 mg/L), resulting in effects expected at concentrations greater than 1000 mg/L for all three trophic levels (<u>Reported to the ECHA database</u>, 1994a, b; OECD, 1994). These aquatic toxicity studies provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for acute aquatic exposure by exceeding the low-concern benchmark of 100 mg/L.

6.2.2 Chronic Aquatic Toxicity

EPA assessed environmental hazard from chronic exposure using available experimental data and estimated values from ECOSAR. A 21-day exposure to *Daphnia magna* indicated no adverse effects at concentrations less than 1000 mg/L (Reported to the <u>ECHA database, 1994</u>; <u>OECD, 1994</u>). For other trophic levels, toxicity from chronic exposure to tripropylene glycol was predicted to occur at 1600 mg/L for aquatic vertebrates and 480 mg/L for algae. These toxicity values provide sufficient information to indicate that tripropylene glycol is expected to have low environmental hazard based on the low-concern criteria chronic aquatic toxicity benchmark of 10 mg/L.

6.3 Persistence and Bioaccumulation Potential

6.3.1 Persistence

Varied results are observed in the experimental ready test data presented in Appendix B. Due to the differences in the test conditions of the OECD ready test methods, some of this variability is likely a result of performance under different test designs rather than an inherent limitation of the biodegradability of the test substance. Given the varied results, EPA relied on studies on tripropylene glycol and dipropylene glycol to make a weight of the scientific evidence conclusion. An explanation of ready and inherent biodegradation tests is provided below.

Ready biodegradation tests are stringent test methods in which a high concentration of test substance is evaluated using a non-adapted inoculum. Passing this type of test indicates that a chemical is likely to biodegrade rapidly in the environment and has low potential for persistence. However, not passing the ready criteria is not necessarily an indication that a chemical is recalcitrant or that it will be persistent in the environment. In contrast, inherent biodegradability tests use more favorable conditions to promote a high expected capacity for degradation, including the use of prolonged exposure periods and a low ratio of test substance to inoculum biomass. Passing this type of test indicates that a substance is inherently biodegradable but does not provide evidence for ready biodegradation. The reasonably available information included tests for both ready biodegradation and inherent biodegradation.

³⁷<u>https://www.epa.gov/tsca-screening-tools/ecological-structure-activity-relationships-ecosar-predictive-model</u>

Tripropylene glycol was tested in three ready tests (OECD 301C, OECD 301B, and OECD 301D) that reported < 5% degradation over 28-day incubation periods, indicating that it is not readily biodegradable (OECD, 1994; Reported to the ECHA database, 1993b, 1991b). However, in another OECD 301D test, tripropylene glycol reached 69% O₂ consumption after 28 days and just missed the 10-day window criterion at 59% in 11 days (Reported to the ECHA database, 1991a). In addition, both dipropylene glycol and tripropylene glycol reached $\geq 81\%$ O₂ consumption after 28 days in the OECD 301F test, meeting the criteria for ready biodegradation but did not meet the 10-day window (Reported to the ECHA database, 2007a, c, 1994c). These data indicate that tripropylene glycol is biodegradable and may be readily biodegradable under the right conditions. Results from additional aerobic studies, including the inherent biodegradability test (OECD 302A) and a seawater biodegradability test (OECD 306) on tripropylene glycol provide further support that tripropylene glycol has the capacity to biodegrade under environmental conditions (Zgoła-Grześkowiak et al., 2008; Reported to the ECHA database, 1994c). Furthermore, the microbial inhibition tests on tripropylene glycol and dipropylene glycol indicate that these substances are non-toxic to microbial populations found in sewage treatment plants (Reported to the ECHA database, 2010c, 1992b).

Based on the weight of the scientific evidence, the data suggest tripropylene glycol is expected to biodegrade under aerobic conditions. Although under some test conditions this chemical may not meet the benchmark for ready biodegradation, both ready and inherent biodegradation of this substance has been demonstrated using a variety of standard and non-standard test methods. Experimental data determined to be of adequate quality³⁸ on tripropylene glycol or closely related analogs were not reasonably available for the assessment of anaerobic biodegradation potential. Though BIOWIN modeling did not predict this chemical to anaerobically biodegrade quickly, these results do not indicate this chemical would not anaerobically biodegrade. Tripropylene glycol's low-hazard results for environmental and mammalian toxicity, and evidence of aerobic biodegradation, provide sufficient information to indicate low concern for this chemical if present in anaerobic environments.

No degradation products of concern were identified for this chemical substance. The available biodegradation results meet the low-concern benchmark and provide sufficient information to indicate this chemical has low persistence.

6.3.2 Bioaccumulation Potential

Based on the estimated bioaccumulation factor (BAF) value of 0.9 using the Estimation Programs Interface (EPI) Suite models,³⁹ EPA has sufficient information to indicate tripropylene glycol has low potential for bioaccumulation in the environment based on the low-concern benchmark of less than 1000.

³⁸ The literature search and review process to determine studies of adequate quality for inclusion in the screening review is further discussed in the document "The Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances under TSCA." <u>https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EPA-HQ-OPPT-2019-0450-0002</u>.

³⁹ https://www.epa.gov/tsca-screening-tools/epi-suitetm-estimation-program-interface

7. Exposure Characterization

EPA considered reasonably available information on exposure for tripropylene glycol. In general, there is limited information on exposure for low-hazard chemicals. EPA consulted sources of exposure and use information that include CDR and other databases and public sources. Of these sources, EPA determined that the CDR database contained the primary source of information on the conditions of use for this exposure characterization. EPA used these other databases and public sources (described in Table A.2) only where they augmented information from the CDR database and to inform intended, known, or reasonably foreseeable uses.

Tripropylene glycol is a solvent used in processing (incorporation into an article and into a formulation, mixture, or product) and as a reactant in plastic, resin, and petrochemical manufacturing (EPA 2017b). Tripropylene glycol is also used in a variety of industrial, commercial, and consumer uses, as shown in Table 3. Non-TSCA uses, including those excluded under TSCA section 3(2), are beyond the scope of this assessment (See Table A.3).

Under the conditions of use identified in Table 3, EPA assessed the potential exposure to the following categories: the environment, the general population, and potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations including workers and consumers.

7.1 **Production Volume Information**

Production volume information for tripropylene glycol is based on an analysis of CDR data reported from 1986 to 2015.⁴⁰ In reporting years 1986, 1990, 1994, 1998, 2002, 2006 and between 2012 and 2015, aggregate production volume for tripropylene glycol was between 10,000,000 and 50,000,000 lbs. The exact amount is available for one year, 2011, in which 25,531,268 lbs. of tripropylene glycol was produced or imported. Since 2011, production volume has remained relatively stable.

7.2 Exposures to the Environment

EPA expects most exposures to the environment to occur during the manufacture, import, processing, and industrial, commercial, and consumer uses of tripropylene glycol. Exposure is also possible from other uses, such as distribution and disposal. These activities could result in releases of tripropylene glycol to media including surface water, landfills, and air.

EPA expects high levels of removal of tripropylene glycol during wastewater treatment (either directly from the facility or indirectly via discharge to a municipal treatment facility or Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW), see Table 2). Further, tripropylene glycol is expected to biodegrade aerobically in the environment (discussed in Section 6.3.1). Any release of this chemical is expected to break down, reducing exposure to aquatic organisms in the water column and ground water sources of drinking water, including well water. Based on the estimated log K_{oc} (Section 3), tripropylene glycol is expected to have negligible adsorption to sediment, reducing the potential toxicity to benthic organisms.

⁴⁰ The CDR requires manufacturers (including importers) to report information on the chemicals they produce domestically or import into the U.S above 25,000 lb. per site per year.

If disposed of in a landfill, this chemical is expected to degrade under aerobic conditions (aerobic biodegradation is discussed in Section 6.3.1).

If incineration releases during manufacturing and processing occur, EPA expects significant degradation of tripropylene glycol to the point that it will not be present in air.

7.3 Exposures to the General Population

EPA expects the general population is unlikely to be exposed to tripropylene glycol from the potential environmental releases described above. Air exposure is unlikely from incineration. If tripropylene glycol is present in the air from volatilization, it is expected to be reduced because of its short atmospheric half-life of 5 hours (see Table 2 in Section 3). With the exception of time immediately following a release, tripropylene glycol is unlikely to be present in surface water because it will degrade (discussed in Section 6.3.1), reducing the potential for the general population to be exposed by oral ingestion or dermal exposure. Given the low bioaccumulation and bioconcentration potential of tripropylene glycol (Table 2 and Section 6.3.2), oral exposure to tripropylene glycol via fish ingestion is unlikely.

7.4 Exposures to Potentially Exposed or Susceptible Subpopulations

EPA identified workers as potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations based on greater exposure to tripropylene glycol than the general population during manufacturing, processing, distribution, use, and disposal. EPA also identified consumers as a population that may experience greater exposure to tripropylene glycol than the general population through use of cleaning and furniture care products and anti-freeze and de-icing products, for example.

7.4.1 Exposures to Workers

Based on its reported physical form and measured melting point (Table 2), tripropylene glycol is a liquid under ambient conditions. Based on tripropylene glycol's conditions of use (Table 3), workers may be exposed to liquids through direct dermal contact with the substance and inhalation of aerosols if they are generated. Based on its measured vapor pressure (Table 2), tripropylene glycol is expected to be volatile at ambient temperatures, and therefore workers may be exposed through inhalation of vapors. If tripropylene glycol is in a dilute form, the estimated Henry's Law constant for tripropylene glycol suggests volatilization from water and aqueous solutions is expected to be minimal. Workers may be exposed to tripropylene glycol in manufacturing, processing, distribution, use and disposal.

7.4.2 Exposures to Consumers

In addition to the exposure pathways relevant for the general population described in Section 7.3, consumers may be exposed to tripropylene glycol through the use of cleaning and furniture care products, lubricants and greases, and anti-freeze and de-icing products, for example. For all these uses, if dermal contact does occur, tripropylene glycol is expected to have minimal absorption through the skin based on experimental data (Section 6.1.1). If the chemical is in an aerosol product and inhalation exposure occurs, tripropylene glycol's absorption from the lungs is likely. EPA does not include intentional misuse, such as people drinking products containing this chemical, as part of the known, intended, or reasonably foreseen conditions of use that could lead to an exposure (82 FR 33726). Thus, oral exposures will be incidental (meaning inadvertent and low in volume).

Tripropylene glycol is expected to be metabolized and excreted, further reducing the duration of exposure. Therefore, EPA expects the exposures to tripropylene glycol through use of these products to be low.

8. Summary of Findings

EPA has used reasonably available information on the following statutory and regulatory criteria and considerations to screen tripropylene glycol against each of the priority designation considerations in 40 CFR 702.9(a), listed below and discussed individually in this section, under its conditions of use:

- the hazard and exposure potential of the chemical substance (See Sections 6 and 7);
- persistence and bioaccumulation (See Section 6.3);
- potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations (See Section 7.4);
- storage near significant sources of drinking water (See Section 8.4);
- conditions of use or significant changes in the conditions of use of the chemical substance (See Section 5);
- the chemical substance's production volume or significant changes in production volume (See Section 7.1); and
- other risk-based criteria that EPA determines to be relevant to the designation of the chemical substance's priority.

EPA conducted a risk-based screening-level review based on the considerations above and other relevant information described in 40 CFR 702.9(c) to inform the determination of whether the substance meets the standard of a high-priority substance. High-priority substance means a chemical substance that EPA determines, without consideration of costs or other non-risk factors, may present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment because of a potential hazard and a potential route of exposure under the conditions of use, including an unreasonable risk to potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations identified as relevant by EPA (40 CFR 702.3). Designation of a low-priority substance is not a finding that the chemical substance does not present an unreasonable risk, but rather that the chemical does not meet the statutory criteria for a high-priority substance and that a risk evaluation is not warranted at the time. This section explains the basis for the final designation and how EPA applied statutory and regulatory requirements, addressed rationales and reached conclusions.

8.1. Hazard and Exposure Potential of the Chemical Substance

Approach: EPA evaluated the hazard and exposure potential of tripropylene glycol. EPA used this information to inform its determination of whether tripropylene glycol meets the statutory criteria and considerations for final designation as a low-priority substance.

• Hazard potential:

For tripropylene glycol's hazard potential, EPA gathered information for a broad set of human health and environmental endpoints described in detail in Section 6 of this document. EPA screened this information against the low-concern benchmarks. EPA found that tripropylene glycol is of low concern for human health and environmental hazard across the range of endpoints in these lowconcern criteria.

• Exposure potential:

To understand exposure potential, EPA gathered information on physical-chemical properties, production volumes, and the types of exposures likely to be faced by workers, the general population,

consumers, and children (discussed in Sections 3 and 7). EPA also gathered information on environmental releases. EPA identified workers, the general population, consumers, and the environment as most likely to experience exposures. EPA determined that while the general population, consumers, and workers may be exposed to tripropylene glycol, exposure by the dermal pathway is limited by tripropylene glycol's physical-chemical properties. If ingestion occurs, tripropylene glycol is expected to be quickly metabolized and excreted, reducing the duration of exposure. Inhalation of tripropylene glycol from dilute products is expected to be minimal; however, workers may be exposed to vapors of neat tripropylene glycol. If tripropylene glycol is released into the environment, its exposure potential will be reduced through biodegradation under aerobic conditions.

Rationale: EPA determined that while workers, consumers, and children could be exposed to tripropylene glycol during processing, manufacturing, distribution, use, or disposal, these exposures do not pose a significant risk because of the chemical's low-hazard results across a range of endpoints (discussed in Section 6). In summary, the concern for exposure is mitigated by the low-hazard profile of this chemical.

Conclusion: Based on an initial analysis of reasonably available hazard and exposure information, EPA concludes that the risk-based screening-level review under 40 CFR 702.9(a)(1) does not support a finding that tripropylene glycol meets the standard for a high-priority substance. The reasonably available hazard and exposure information described above provides sufficient information to support this finding.

8.2. Persistence and Bioaccumulation

Approach: EPA has evaluated both the persistence and bioaccumulation potential of tripropylene glycol based on a set of EPA and internationally accepted measurement tools and benchmarks that are indicators of persistence and bioaccumulation potential (described in Section 6). These endpoints are key components in evaluating a chemical's persistence and bioaccumulation potential.

Rationale: EPA review of experimental data indicates tripropylene glycol is biodegradable under aerobic conditions, with greater than 60 percent biodegradation expected within 28 days. EPA's EPI Suite models indicate a low potential for bioaccumulation and bioconcentration.

Conclusion: Based on an initial screen of reasonably available information on persistence and bioaccumulation, EPA concludes that the screening-level review under 40 CFR 702.9(a)(2) does not support a finding that tripropylene glycol meets the standard for a high-priority substance. The reasonably available persistence and bioaccumulation information described above provides sufficient information to support this finding.

8.3. Potentially Exposed or Susceptible Subpopulations

Approach: TSCA Section 3(12) states that the "term 'potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation' means a group of individuals within the general population identified by the Administrator who, due to either greater susceptibility or greater exposure, may be at greater risk than the general population of adverse health effects from exposure to a chemical substance or mixture, such as infants, children, pregnant women, workers, or the elderly." EPA identified workers engaged in the manufacturing, processing, distribution, use and disposal of tripropylene glycol as a potentially

exposed or susceptible subpopulation (described in more detail in Section 7). Consumers are also a potentially exposed subpopulation because of their use of products such as cleaning and furniture care products, lubricants and greases, and anti-freeze and de-icing products, as shown in Table 3.

Rationale: EPA did not identify hazard effects for this chemical that would make any population susceptible. EPA expects workers and consumers to have a higher exposure to tripropylene glycol than the general population. Because of the chemical's low-concern hazard properties, this exposure does not pose a significant increase in risk for consumers or for workers

Conclusion: Based on the Agency's understanding of the conditions of use and expected users such as potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations, EPA concludes that the screening-level review under 40 CFR 702.9(a)(3) does not support a finding that tripropylene glycol meets the standard for a high-priority substance. The conditions of use could result in increased exposures to certain populations. Even in light of this finding, the consistently low-concern hazard profile of tripropylene glycol provides sufficient evidence to support a finding of low concern. The reasonably available information on conditions of use, hazard, and exposure described above provides sufficient information to support this finding.

8.4. Storage near Significant Sources of Drinking Water

Approach: In Sections 6 and 7, EPA explains its evaluation of the elements of risk relevant to the storage of tripropylene glycol near significant sources of drinking water. EPA focused primarily on the chemical's potential human health hazards, including to potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations, and environmental fate properties, and explored a scenario of a release to a drinking water source. EPA also investigated whether the chemical was monitored for and detected in a range of environmental media. This requirement to consider storage near significant sources of drinking water is unique to prioritization under TSCA Section 6(b)(1)(A).

Rationale: In terms of health hazards, tripropylene glycol is expected to present low concern to the general population, including susceptible subpopulations, across a spectrum of health endpoints.

In the event of an accidental release into a surface drinking water source, tripropylene glycol is expected to be water soluble (see Section 3) and not expected to persist (see Section 6) in the drinking water supply. In the event of an accidental release to land, the estimated log K_{oc} indicates this substance is highly mobile in soils, increasing its potential for leaching into groundwater, including well water. The fate and transport evaluation indicates tripropylene glycol is unlikely to partition into sediment, predicted to biodegrade under aerobic conditions (see Section 3), and unlikely to bioaccumulate (see Section 6), minimizing the likelihood that the chemical would be present in sediment or groundwater to pose a longer-term drinking water contamination threat. Further, as explained in section 6.1.3, repeated exposures of mice and rats to a closely related analog, dipropylene glycol, through the drinking water exposure pathway indicate low concern for exposure through drinking water to this chemical.

A sudden release of large quantities of the chemical near a drinking water source could have immediate effects on the usability of a surface drinking water source. If such a release were to occur, two primary factors would operate together to reduce concern. First, the chemical would be expected to present low concern to the general population, including susceptible subpopulations, across a spectrum of health endpoints (see Section 6). Second, tripropylene glycol would degrade in aerobic environments (see Section 6). Together, these factors mean that any exposures to this chemical through drinking water sources would be short-lived, and that if ingestion were to take place, concern for adverse health effects would be low.

EPA also explored whether the chemical had been identified as a concern under U.S. environmental statutes in the past. EPA searched lists of chemicals and confirmed that tripropylene glycol does not appear on these lists. The lists reviewed include EPA's List of Lists (<u>https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-03/documents/list_of_lists.pdf</u>). EPA also searched the lists of chemicals included in the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations and the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR) under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).

Conclusion: Based on a qualitative review of a potential release near a significant source of drinking water, EPA concludes that the screening level review of tripropylene glycol under 40 CFR 702.9(a)(4) does not support a finding that tripropylene glycol meets the standard for a high-priority substance. The reasonably available information on storage near significant sources of drinking water described above provides sufficient information to support these findings.

8.5. Conditions of Use or Significant Changes in Conditions of Use of the Chemical Substance

Approach: EPA evaluated the conditions of use for tripropylene glycol and related potential exposures.

Rationale: EPA evaluated the conditions of use of tripropylene glycol (see Section 5 and Appendix A) and found it to have a broad range of conditions of use. EPA expects that even if the conditions of use were to expand beyond activities that are currently known, intended and reasonably foreseen, the outcome of the screening review would likely not change and would not alter the Agency's conclusion of low concern. EPA bases this expectation on tripropylene glycol's consistently low-concern hazard characteristics across the spectrum of hazard endpoints and regardless of a change in the nature or extent of its use and resultant increased exposures.

Conclusion: EPA's qualitative evaluation of potential risk does not support a finding that tripropylene glycol meets the standard for a high-priority substance based on its low-hazard profile under the current conditions of use. EPA concludes that even if conditions of use broaden, resulting in an increase in the frequency or amount of exposures, the analysis conducted to support the screening level review under 40 CFR 702.9(a)(5) would not change significantly. In particular, the analysis of concern for hazard, which forms an important basis for EPA's findings, would not be impacted by a change in conditions of use. Therefore, such changes would not support a finding that tripropylene glycol meets the standard for a high-priority substance. The reasonably available information on conditions of use, or significant changes in conditions of use, described above provides sufficient information to support this finding.

8.6. The Volume or Significant Changes in Volume of the Chemical Substance Manufactured or Processed

Approach: EPA evaluated the current production volumes of tripropylene glycol (Section 7.1) and related potential exposures (Section 7.2 through 7.4).

Rationale: EPA used reasonably available information on production volume (see Appendix A) in considering potential risk. It is reasonably foreseeable that designation of tripropylene glycol as a low-priority substance could result in increased use and higher production volumes. EPA expects, however, that any changes in tripropylene glycol's production volume would not alter the Agency's assessment of low concern given the low-hazard profile of the chemical. EPA bases this expectation on tripropylene glycol's consistently low-hazard characteristics, which, across the spectrum of hazard endpoints and regardless of a significant change in the volume of the chemical manufactured or processed and resultant increased exposures, would still be expected to pose a low concern.

Conclusion: Based on this screening criteria under 40 CFR 702.9(a)(6), EPA concludes that even if production volumes increase, resulting in an increase in the frequency or level of exposures, tripropylene glycol does not meet the standard for a high-priority substance. The reasonably available information on production volume, or significant changes in production volume, described above provides sufficient information to support this finding.

8.7. Other Considerations

EPA did not identify other considerations for the screening review to support the final designation of tripropylene glycol as a low-priority substance.

9. Final Designation

Based on a risk-based screening-level review of the chemical substance and, when applicable, relevant information received from the public and other information as appropriate and consistent with TSCA section 26(h), (i) and (j), EPA concludes that tripropylene glycol does not meet the standard for a high-priority substance. The reasonably available information described above provides sufficient information to support this finding. Accordingly, EPA is designating tripropylene glycol as a low-priority substance.

Appendix A: Conditions of Use Characterization

EPA gathered information on and related to conditions of use including uses, products, types of users, and status (e.g., ongoing, regulated) for the chemical tripropylene glycol (CAS RN 24800-44-0).

A.1. CDR Manufacturers and Production Volume

The Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) rule (previously known as the Inventory Update Rule, or IUR), under TSCA section 8, requires manufacturers (including importers) to report information on the chemical substances they produce domestically or import into the U.S., generally above a reporting threshold of 25,000 lb. per site per year. According to the 2016 Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) database, five companies manufactured or imported tripropylene glycol at seven sites for reporting year 2015. Individual production volumes were withheld by EPA to protect against disclosure of CBI.

Table presents the historic production volume of tripropylene glycol from the CDR (previously known as the Inventory Update Rule, or IUR) from 1986-2015. In reporting years 1986, 1990, 1994, 1998, 2002, 2006 and between 2012 and 2015, aggregate production volume for tripropylene glycol was between 10,000,000 and 500,000,000 lbs. The exact amount is available for one year, 2011, in which 25,531,268 lbs. of tripropylene glycol was produced or imported. Since 2011, production volume has remained relatively stable without significant increases or decreases.

	Table A.1: 1986-2015 National Production Volume Data for Tripropylene glycol (Non-Confidential Production Volume in Pounds)						ction			
1986	1990	1994	1998	2002	2006	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
>10M	>10M	>10M –	>10M –	>10M	10 M -	25,531,268	10 M –	10 M –	10 M –	10 M –
– 50M	– 50M	50M	50M	– 50M	< 50 M	20,001,200	50 M	50 M	50 M	50 M
	Source(s): EPA (2018a; 2017b; 2006; 2002)									
Note(s): K = Thou										

A.2. Uses

A.2.1 Methods for Uses Table

Section A.1 provides a list of known uses of tripropylene glycol organized by category of use. To compile the uses, EPA searched publicly available databases listed in Table A.2 and conducted additional internet searches to clarify uses. Search terms differed among databases because of different search term requirements for each database (i.e., some databases search by CASRN while others search by chemical name).

Table A.2: Sources Searched for Uses of Tripropylene glycol			
Title	Author and Year	Search Term(s)	Found Use Information? ¹
	Sources searched for	or all use reports	
California Links to Pesticides Data	California Dept of Pesticide Regulation (2013)	24800-44-0	No
Canada Chemicals Management Plan information sheets	Government of Canada (2018)	24800-44-0; tripropylene glycol	No
Chemical and Product Categories (CPCat)	CPCat (2019)	24800-44-0	Yes
ChemView ²	EPA (2018a)	24800-44-0	Yes
Children's Safe Product Act Reported Data	Washington State Dept. of Ecology (2018)	24800-44-0	No
Consumer Product Information Database (CPID)	DeLima Associates (2018)	24800-44-0	Yes
Danish surveys on chemicals in consumer products Danish EPA (2018)		N/A, There is no search, but report titles were checked for possible information on the chemical	No
Datamyne Descartes Datamyne (2018)		Tripropylene glycol	No
DrugBank	DrugBank (2018)		No
European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) Registration Dossier	ECHA (2018)	24800-44-0	Yes
eChemPortal ²	OECD (2018)	24800-44-0	No
Envirofacts ²	EPA (2018b)	24800-44-0	No
Functional Use Database (FUse)	EPA (2017a)	24800-44-0	Yes
Kirk-Othmer Encyclopedia of Chemical Technology	Kirk-Othmer (2006)	24800-44-0; tripropylene glycol	Yes
Non-Confidential 2016 Chemical Data Reporting (CDR)	Non-Confidential 2016 Chemical Data Reporting EPA (2017b)		Yes
PubChem Compound	Kim et al. (2016)	24800-44-0	Yes
Safer Chemical Ingredients List (SCIL)	EPA (2018e)	24800-44-0	Yes
Synapse Information Resources ²	Synapse Information Resources (2009)	Tripropylene glycol	Yes

Title	Author and Year	Search Term(s)	Found Use Information? 1	
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)	EPA (2018d)	Tripropylene glycol; TPG	No	
Scorecard: The Pollution Information Site	GoodGuide (2011)	24800-44-0	Yes	
Skin Deep Cosmetics Database	EWG (2018)	24800-44-0	Yes	
Toxics Release Inventory (TRI)	EPA (2018f)	24800-44-0	No	
TOXNET 2	NLM (2018c)	24800-44-0	Yes	
Ullmann's Encyclopedia of Industrial Chemistry	Ullmann's (2000)	24800-44-0; tripropylene glycol	Yes	
Additio	nal Sources Identified from	Reasonably Available Information		
Sigma Aldrich	Sigma Aldrich (2018)			
Silver Fern Chemical Inc.	Silver Fern Chemical Inc. (2018)			
Substances in Preparations in Nordic Countries (SPIN)	Construction Incidentally identified while researching details of this chemical's uses and products. Dow (2018) Dow (2018)		Yes	
The Dow Chemical Company (Dow)				
U.S. EPA's InertFinder EPA (2018c)		7		

1. If use information was found in the resource, it will appear in Table A.3 unless otherwise noted.

2. This source is a group of databases; thus the exact resource(s) it led to will be cited instead of the database as whole.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has an online database that shows 16,175 patents referencing "tripropylene glycol" (USPTO 2018). Although patents could be useful in determining reasonably foreseen uses, it is difficult to confirm whether any of the patented technologies are currently in use. Uses inferred from patents containing tripropylene glycol were not included in Table A.3. Note that the uses in Table A.3 that are covered under TSCA are included in Section 5, Table 3 of this document.

A.2.2 Uses of Tripropylene glycol

Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene glycol			
Use	Expected Users	Description of Use and References	
	TSCA Conditions	of Use: Agriculture and Food Products	
Agricultural chemicals	Unknown	 NLM (2018b); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018 NLM's HSDB identifies use of tripropylene glycol as a solvent for agricultural chemicals. ECHA identifies use of tripropylene glycol in agrochemicals in European countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information. ECHA identifies this use under consumer uses and uses by professional workers. 	
Insecticides	Unknown	Silver Fern Chemical Inc. (2018); CPCat (2019); SPIN (2018) Silver Fern Chemical identifies use of tripropylene glycol in insecticides. The California Department of Pesticide Regulation does not list any pesticides currently used in California that contain tripropylene glycol. CPCat identifies use of tripropylene glycol as an inert ingredient in pesticides, however EPA's InertFinder (2018c) does not report and food, non- food, or fragrance use of pesticides that contain tripropylene glycol as an inert ingredient. SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in biocides in Nordic countries. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.	
	TSCA Cond	itions of Use: Cleaning Products	
Cleaning agents	Consumer, commercial, industrial	 GoodGuide (2011); Synapse Information Resources (2009); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018 Pollution Scorecard identifies use of tripropylene glycol in household hard surface cleaners. Synapse Information Resources identifies use of tripropylene glycol in disinfectants, varnish removers, hard surface cleaners, and penetrating oils. ECHA identifies use of tripropylene glycol in cleaning agents in European countries. Expected users are consumer based on identification under Pollution Scorecard's consumer products and ECHA's consumer uses. Expected users are commercial and industrial based on inclusion in ECHA's uses by professional workers and uses at industrial sites. 	

Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene of	Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene glycol			
Use	Expected Users	Description of Use and References		
Soaps	Unknown	NLM (2018b); Synapse Information Resources (2009) NLM's HSDB identifies use of tripropylene glycol in dry-cleaning soaps, and Synapse Information Resources identifies use in soap.		
		Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.		
	TSCA Co	nditions of Use: Manufacturing		
Builders' carpentry and joinery manufacturing	Unknown	SPIN (2018) SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in the manufacture of builders' carpentry and joinery in Nordic countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.		
Chemical manufacturing	Unknown	 SPIN (2018) SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products in Nordic countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information. 		
Machinery and equipment manufacturing	Unknown	 SPIN (2018) SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in the manufacture of machinery and equipment in Nordic countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information. 		

Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene	alycol	
Use	Expected Users	Description of Use and References
Metal manufacturing	Industrial	SPIN (2018) SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in the manufacture of fabricated metal products, as well as the treatment and coating of metals, in Nordic countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.
		EPA (2017b)
Petrochemical manufacturing	Industrial	CDR reports use of tripropylene glycol as an intermediate in petrochemical manufacturing. Expected users are industrial based on reporting under CDR's Industrial Processing and Use Report.
Plastic material and resin manufacturing	Commercial, industrial	 EPA (2017b); NLM (2018b); Synapse Information Resources (2009); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018; SPIN (2018); Ullmann's (2018) CDR reports use of tripropylene glycol as an intermediate in plastic material and resin manufacturing. NLM's HSDB identifies use as a plasticizer for 2-hydroxypropyl cellulose resin. Synapse Information Resources identifies use of tripropylene glycol as a comonomer for alkyd resins and unsaturated polyester resins, a chain extender for polyurethane, and an initiator for urethane polyols. Ullmann's states that tripropylene glycol is in an important industrial building block for polyurethane foams and elastomers. ECHA identifies use of tripropylene glycol in polymer processing in European countries. SPIN reports use in the manufacture of rubber and plastic products in Nordic countries. Expected users are industrial based on reporting under CDR's Industrial Processing and Use Report and commercial based on inclusion in ECHA's uses by professional workers.
Transportation equipment manufacturing	Industrial	 SPIN (2018) SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in the manufacture of other transportation equipment in Nordic countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.

Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene gl	Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene glycol			
Use	Expected Users	Description of Use and References		
Wood manufacturing	Industrial	SPIN (2018)SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in the manufacture of wood and cork products, including straw and plaiting materials, in Nordic countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States.Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.		
	TSCA Cor	nditions of Use: Miscellaneous		
Adhesives and binding agents	Unknown	NLM (2018b); SPIN (2018); Ullmann's (2010) NLM's HSDB identifies use of tripropylene glycol as a solvent for gums. Ullmann's identifies use of tripropylene glycol in ultraviolet/electric beam curing adhesives. SPIN reports use in adhesives and binding agents in Nordic countries. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information		
Anti-freeze and de-icing products	Consumer, commercial	Synapse Information Resources (2009); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018 Synapse Information Resources identifies use of tripropylene glycol in lubricant and antifreeze for carburetor fluids. ECHA identifies use in anti-freeze and de-icing products in European countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are consumer and commercial based on inclusion in ECHA's consumer uses and uses by professional workers.		
Automotive trade and repair	Unknown	 NLM (2018b); Synapse Information Resources (2009); SPIN (2018) NLM's HSDB and Synapse Information Resources identify use of tripropylene glycol in brake and hydraulic fluid components. SPIN reports use in wholesale and retail trade, repair, and maintenance of motor vehicles and motorcycles in Nordic countries. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information. 		

Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene glycol			
Use	Expected Users	Description of Use and References	
Cooling media	Unknown	Synapse Information Resources (2009) Synapse Information Resources identifies use of tripropylene glycol in cooling media. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.	
Drilling fluids	Unknown	Kirk-Othmer (2004) Kirk-Othmer identifies use of tripropylene glycol in water-based drilling fluids for the petroleum industry. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.	
Emulsion-inhibiting agents	Unknown	 SPIN (2018) SPIN identifies use of tripropylene glycol in emulsion-inhibiting agents, which are often used in the petroleum industry. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information. 	
Fabric, textile, and leather	Commercial, industrial	 EPA (2017b); SPIN (2018) CDR reports use of liquid tripropylene glycol in fabric, textile, and leather products not covered elsewhere at concentrations of at least one percent but less than 30 percent by weight. CDR also reports use of tripropylene glycol as a finishing agent in textile, apparel, and leather manufacturing. SPIN identifies use of tripropylene glycol in washing agents for textiles and textile impregnation materials in Nordic countries. Expected users are commercial based on CDR's consumer/commercial classification and reporting under CDR's Industrial Processing and Use Report. 	

Table A.3: Uses of Triprop	Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene glycol			
Use	Expected Users	Description of Use and References		
		Reported to the ECHA database, 2018		
Fuels	Consumer	ECHA identifies use of tripropylene glycol in fuels in European countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States.		
		Expected users are consumer based on inclusion in ECHA's consumer uses.		
Inks	Unknown	NLM (2018b); Dow (2018); Synapse Information Resources (2009); SPIN (2018) Dow identifies use of tripropylene glycol as a resin solubilizer for common printing ink, and NLM's HSDB reports use of tripropylene glycol in inks. Synapse Information Resources identifies use of tripropylene glycol as a solvent and homogenizer for inks and other coloring materials, including color concentrations. SPIN reports use in coloring agents and in the manufacture of printing inks and mastics in Nordic countries.		
		Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.		
Laboratory chemicals	Commercial, institutional	Sigma Aldrich (2018); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018 Sigma Aldrich identifies use of tripropylene glycol in laboratory chemicals. ECHA identifies use in laboratory reagents in European countries.		
		Expected users are commercial and industrial based on inclusion in ECHA's uses by professional workers and uses at industrial sites.		

Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene		
Use	Expected Users	Description of Use and References
		EPA (2017b); Silver Fern Chemical Inc. (2018); Synapse Information Resources (2009); NLM (2018b); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018; SPIN (2018)
Lubricants and greases	Consumer, commercial, industrial	CDR reports use of liquid tripropylene glycol in commercial lubricants and greases. Silver Fern Chemical identifies use in mold lubricants, and Synapse Information Resources identifies use in cutting oils. NLM's HSDB identifies use as a coupling agent in cutting oils and soluble oils. ECHA identifies use of tripropylene glycol in consumer and commercial lubricants, binders, release agents, metal working fluids, and rolling oils in European countries, and SPIN reports use in lubricants and additives in Nordic countries.
		Expected users are commercial based on CDR's consumer/commercial classification, and consumer and industrial based on inclusion in ECHA's consumer uses and uses at industrial sites.
		EPA (2017b)
Mining	Industrial	CDR reports use of tripropylene glycol as an intermediate in non-oil and gas mining and support activities.
		Expected users are industrial based on reporting under CDR's Industrial Processing and Use Report.
		NLM (2018b); Reported to the ECHA database, 2018; SPIN (2018); Dow (2016); Ullmann's (2011)
Paints and coatings	Unknown	NLM's HSDB identifies use of tripropylene glycol in some paints. Dow identifies growing use of tripropylene glycol in the radiation cure industry, and Ullmann's identifies use as a monomer in radiation-curable acrylate systems. ECHA identifies use in coatings in European countries, and SPIN identifies use in paints (including the manufacture of paints), lacquers, and varnishes in Nordic countries.
		Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.

Table A.3: Uses of Tripropylene	glycol	
Use	Expected Users	Description of Use and References
Process regulators	Unknown	SPIN (2018) SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in process regulators in Nordic countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States.
		Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.
Surfactants	Unknown	 SPIN (2018) SPIN reports use of tripropylene glycol in surface active agents in Nordic countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.
Water treatment	Consumer, commercial, industrial	 Reported to the ECHA database, 2018 ECHA identifies use of tripropylene glycol in water treatment chemicals in European countries. No further information about this use could be found and it is unknown whether this is an ongoing use in the United States. Expected users are based on inclusion in ECHA's consumer uses, uses by professional workers, and uses at industrial sites.
Non-TSCA Uses		
Antiperspirant/ deodorant	Consumer	DeLima Associates (2016); EWG (2018)
		CPID and EWG generally list consumer products; therefore the expected users are consumer.

Table A.3: Uses of Triprop Use		Description of Use and References
		Synapse Information Resources (2009); CPCat (2019) (2015)
Food ⁴¹	Unknown	Synapse Information Resources identifies use of tripropylene glycol in food. CPCat reports use of tripropylene glycol as a food additive, however tripropylene glycol is not listed in FDA's Substances Added to Food (2018).
		Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.
		EWG (2018)
Makeup remover	Consumer	EWG generally lists consumer products; therefore the expected users are consumer
		Silver Fern Chemical Inc. (2018); NLM (2018b)
Pharmaceuticals	Unknown	Silver Fern Chemical, Inc. identifies use of tripropylene glycol as an intermediate in pharmaceuticals. NLM's HSDB identifies use as a solvent for essential oils and pharmaceuticals. DrugBank does not list any current drug-related uses that include tripropylene glycol.
		Expected users are unknown, due to the limited availability of information.
		NLM (2018a)
Shampoo	Consumer	NLM's Household Products Database identifies use of tripropylene glycol in shampoos and shampoo/conditioners. None of these products are currently for retail sale, and this use may be historical.
		The Household Products Database lists household products; therefore, the expected users are consumer.
		Children's Products
CDR reports did not include	any uses in children's products.	
		Recycling and Disposal
In the 2016 CDR, six facilitie information as CBI (EPA 20		ecycled, remanufactured, reprocessed, or reused) tripropylene glycol, and one facility reported recycling

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Appendix B: Hazard Characterization

ADME						
Source	Exposure Route	Species & strain (if available)	Duration	Doses and replicate number	Effect	Study Details
4940456, 4940388	Oral (gavage)	Fischer 344 rats	Single exposure, 24 hour observation	Doses: 48.2 mg/kg Replicates: 5 male rats	The test material is rapidly absorbed and distributed, and primarily excreted through urine. It is also extensively metabolized to dipropylene and monopropylene glycol and further oxidized to CO2.	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity: 99.8% GLP compliant Results: Absorption: 91.4 ± 2.07 % of the dose administered was recovered indicating tripropylene glycol is rapidly absorbed Distribution: The liver and kidney had th greatest amounts of tripropylene glycol is extensively metabolized. 5.8% of the dose was recovered as unmetabolized parent compound. Tripropylene glycol is metabolized to dipropylene and monopropylene glycol and further oxidized to CO2 Excretion: Dipropylene glycol was excreted primarily in the urine (52.3 ± 3.54%) and in exhaled breath (20.7±0.59%)

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4940508, 4940301, 3039551	Dermal <i>(in vitro)</i>	Human cadaver skin	24 hours	Dose: 768 µL undiluted test substance Replicates: 7 samples from 4 cadavers	The test material was considered a slow penetrant	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99.9% OECD Guideline 428 GLP compliant Results: Steady state penetration was 39.3 μg/cm²-hour and the permeability coefficient was 3.85x10⁻⁵ cm/hour
Acute Mammalian To	oxicity					
Source	Exposure Route	Species & strain (if available)	Duration	Doses and replicate number	Effect	Study Details
2282271, 4940516	Oral (in water)	Sprague-Dawley rats	Single exposure	Doses: 500, 1000, and 2000 mg/kg Replicates: 5 per sex per dose	L D ₅₀ > 2000 mg/kg	Methods: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity > 98% • OECD Guideline 401 • GLP compliant
4940509	Oral (gavage)	Wistar rat	Single exposure, observed for 14 days	Doses: 4080, 8160, and 16320 mg/kg Replicates: 5 males per group	L D ₅₀: 11500 mg/kg	Methods: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity not reported • Pre-GLP compliance Mortalities: • 4,080 mg/kg: 0/5 • 8,160 mg/kg: 0/5 • 16,320 mg/kg: 5/5
4940517	Inhalation	Rats	8 hour exposure, observed for 14 days	Dose: 0.083 mg/L Replicates: 6 animals	LD ₅₀ > 0.083 mg/L	Methods: • Test substance CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity not reported • Pre-GLP compliance

4940519	Dermal	Albino rabbits	24 hour	Dose: 16320	LD ₅₀ > 16320	Methods:
			exposure, observed for 14 days	mg/kg Replicates: 5 males	mg/kg	 Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity not reported Pre-GLP compliance
Repeated Dose Toxi						
Source	Exposure Route	Species & strain (if available)	Duration	Doses and replicate number	Effect	Study Details
4940389, 4940514	Oral (gavage)	Sprague-Dawley rats	Male: 2 weeks prior to mating, 49 days total Females: 2 weeks prior to mating up to day 3 of lactation	Doses: 0, 8, 40, 200, and 1000 mg/kg-day Replicates: 12 per sex per group	NOAEL: 200 mg/kg-day LOAEL: 1000 mg/kg-day based on organ weight changes in parents	Method: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity > 98% • OECD Guideline 422 • GLP compliant
4940384, 4940445	Oral (drinking water)	B6C3F1 mice	2 years	Doses: Males: 0, 735, 1220, and 2390 mg/kg-day Females: 0, 575, 1040, 1950 mg/kg-day Replicates: 50 per sex per dose	NOAEL: 1040 mg/kg-day LOAEL: 1950 mg/kg-day based on decreased mean body weight	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99% NTP Guideline GLP compliant

4940466, 4940384	Oral (drinking	B6C3F1 mice	13 weeks	Doses:	NOAEL: 2620	Methods:
	water)			Males: 0, 715, 1350, 2620, 4790 and 11,000 mg/kg- day; Females: 0, 1230, 2140, 4020, 7430 and 14700 mg/kg- day Replicates: 10 per sex per dose	mg/kg-day (male) LOAEL: 4790 mg/kg-day (male), based on increased liver weight	 Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99% NTP Guideline GLP compliant Endpoints: Morality 7,430 mg/kg-day females: (1/10) hypothermia 11,000 mg/kg-day males: (3/10) dehydration 14,700 mg/kg-day females: (1/10) dehydration
4940384, 4940465, 4940455	Oral (drinking water)	F344/N rats	2 years	Doses: Males: 0, 115, 470, and 3040 mg/kg-day; females: 0, 140, 530, and 2330 mg/kg-day Replicates: 50 per sex per dose	NOAEL: 115 mg/kg-day LOAEL: 470 mg/kg-day based on increased incidence of nephropathy, focal histiocytic, and focal granulomatous inflammation in male livers	Methods: Test substance: CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99% GLP compliance not reported

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4940384, 4940462	Oral (drinking water)	F344/N rats	14 weeks (3 months)	Doses: Males 0, 425, 890, 1840, 3890, and 12,800 mg/kg- day Females: 0, 460, 920, 1690, 3340, and 8950 mg/kg-day Replicates: 10 per sex per dose	NOAEL: 425 mg/kg-day LOAEL: 890 mg/kg-day based on relative liver weight	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99% GLP compliance not reported
Reproductive Toxici	ty			-		
Source	Exposure Route	Species & Strain (if available)	Duration	Doses and replicate number	Effect	Study Details
4940389, 4940514	Oral (gavage)	Sprague-Dawley rats	Male: 2 weeks prior to mating, 49 days total; Females: 2 weeks prior to mating up to day 3 of lactation	Doses: 0, 8, 40, 200, and 1000 mg/kg-day Replicates: 12 per sex per group	NOAEL: 1000 mg/kg-day	 Method: Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity >98% OECD Guideline 422 GLP compliant

Developmental Toxic	city					
Source	Exposure Route	Species & Strain (if available)	Duration	Doses and replicate number	Effect	Study Details
4940450, 4440869, 4940388, 3041958	Oral (gavage)	Pregnant Sprague-Dawley rats	GD6-15	Doses: 0, 800, 2000, and 5000 mg/kg-day Replicates: 20- 27 per dose	NOAEL: 2000 mg/kg-day LOAEL: 5000 mg/kg-day based on decreased fetal body weight	Methods: • Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 • Purity >96% • NTP Guideline • GLP compliance
4440871, 4940459, 4940388	Oral (gavage)	New Zealand White rabbit	GD6-19	Doses: 0, 200, 400, 800, and 1200 mg/kg-day Replicates: 24 per group	NOAEL: 1200 mg/kg-day	Methods:Test substance: CASRN 25265-71-8Purity > 96%NTP protocol NTP-90-CTER-126GLP compliant
Cancer						
Source	Exposure Route	Species & Strain (if available)	Duration	Doses and replicate number	Effect	Study Details
4940448, 4940455, 4940384	Oral (drinking water)	Fischer 344 rats	2 years	Doses: Males: 0, 115, 470 and 3,040 mg/kg-day Females: 0, 140, 530 and 2,330 mg/kg- day Replicates: 50 per sex per dose	Negative	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99% NTP Guideline GLP compliant

4940384, 4940448	Oral (drinking	B6C3F1 mice	2 years	Doses:	Negative	Methods:
	water)			Males: 735, 1220, 2390 mg/kg-day Females: 575, 1040, 1950 mg/kg-day Replicates: 50 per sex per	Negative	 Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99% NTP Guideline GLP compliant
				dose		
Genotoxicity						
Source	Test Type & endpoint	Species & strain (if available)	Metabolic activation	Doses and controls	Results	Study Details
4940446, 4940384	Gene mutation (<i>in vitro</i>)	Salmonella typhimurium strains TA 97, TA98, TA100, TA 1535, TA 1538	With and without	Doses: 0, 100, 333, 1000, 3333 and 10000 μg/plate	Negative	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity >99% NTP Guideline GLP compliant
4940463	Gene mutation (<i>in vitro</i>)	Mouse Lymphoma L5178Y cells	With and without	Doses: 50, 100, 300, 500, 700, 1000, 2500 and 5000 μg/mL	Negative	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity not reported OECD Guideline 476 GLP compliant
4940467	Gene mutation (<i>in vitro</i>)	Salmonella typhimurium strains TA98, TA100, TA 1535, TA1537, TA 1538	With and without	Doses : 0.100, 0.316, 1.00, 3.16, 10.0, 31.6 and 100 μL/plate	Negative	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99.9% OECD Guideline 471 GLP compliant

Table B.1: Human He	ealth Hazard					
4940451, 4940388	Chromosomal aberrations (<i>in</i> <i>vivo</i>)	Mouse micronuclei	N/A	Doses: 0, 500, 1000, and 2000 mg/kg Replicates: 6 per group	Negative	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99.9% OECD Guideline 474 GLP Compliant
Neurotoxicity						
Source	Exposure Route	Species & Strain (if available)	Duration	Doses and replicate number	Effect	Study Details
4940389	Oral (gavage)	Sprague-Dawley rats	Male: 2 weeks prior to mating, 49 days total Females: 2 weeks prior to mating up to day 3 of lactation	Doses: 0, 8, 40, 200, and 1000 mg/kg-day Replicates: 12 per sex per group	NOAEL: 1000 mg/kg-day	Method: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity > 98% • OECD Guideline 422 • GLP compliant Results: • No effects on brain histology
Sensitization						
Source	Exposure Route	Species & Strain (if available)	Duration	Doses and replicate number	Effect	Study Details
4940444, 4946133	Dermal patch	Human	2 day exposure, observed 7 days	Study 1 Doses: 1%, 2%, 5%, and 10% Replicates: 34 patients Study 2 Dose: 10% Replicates: 503 volunteers 212 Males 291 Females	Equivocal	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity >96% GLP compliance not reported Results: 1 person had positive reaction (only to standard grade dipropylene glycol) 488 subjects showed no reaction and 13 subjects showed equivocal reaction to standard grade substance

Table B.1: Hum	an Health Hazard					
						 480 subjects showed no reaction and 17 subjects showed equivocal reaction to cosmetic grade substance Irritation was indicated in 2 analytical grade and 5 cosmetic grade volunteers
4940460	Dermal	Guinea pigs	6 hour exposure, induction repeated 3 times during 2 weeks	Dose: 0.5 mL Replicates: 10 animals (7 Males, 3 Females)	Negative	Methods: • Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 • Purity: 100% • EPA OPP 81-6 • GLP compliant Results: • 1 animal displayed slight patchy erythema 24 hours after
3118622	Dermal patch	Humans	24 hour exposure, scored after 48 hours; repeated for 9 applications	Dose: 0.4 mL Replicates: 42 volunteers	Negative	Methods: • Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 • Purity not reported • Modified Draize Method • GLP compliance not reported

Table B.1: Hum	an Health Hazard					
Irritation						
Source	Exposure Route	Species & Strain (if available)	Duration	Doses	Effect	Study Details
4940512	Dermal	Rabbits	24 hours	Dose: 0.01 mL of undiluted solution Replicates: 5 animals	Minimally irritating	 Methods Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity not reported Pre-GLP compliance Results: Mean irritation score was 2 out of 10 (with 1 = no irritation). Moderate capillary injection was observed on 4 rabbits
4940527	Dermal patch	Humans	24 hours	Dose: 0.2 mL of 25% solution Replicates: 33 volunteers	Negative	 Methods Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity not reported Non-GLP compliant Results: 2 volunteers had mild erythema at 0.5 hours which resolved by 24 hours
4940526	Dermal patch	Humans	Daily for 14 days	Dose: 0.2mL of 50% solution Replicates: 26 volunteers	Negative	 Methods Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity not reported Non-GLP compliant 1/ 26 subjects did not complete the due to reasons unrelated to exposure

4940520	Ocular	Rabbits	Single	Dose: 0.5 mL of	Negative	Methods
4040020			exposure, observed over 24 hours	undiluted solution Replicates: 5 rabbits		 Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity not reported Predates GLP compliance Results: The overall irritation score was 1 (trace or no injury) and was fully reversible. The test material was considered non-
4040540			0	D 0.4 l (News	irritating
4940518	Ocular	New Zealand White rabbits	Single exposure, observed over 72 hours	Dose: 0.1 mL of undiluted solution Replicate: 2 animals	Negative	 Methods Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity: 99.6% OECD Guideline 405 GLP compliant Results: 2/2 animals had mild conjunctival redness, chemosis, and conjunctival discharge at the 1-hour scoring All effects were reversible by 24 hours.
4940513	Ocular	SkinEthic Human Corneal Epithelium Model (<i>in vitro</i>)	10 minutes	Dose: 30 µL of undiluted solution Replicates: 3 replicates	Negative	Methods Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity: 99.6% GLP compliant

Other	an Health Hazard					
Source	Exposure Route	Species & Strain (if available)	Duration	Doses	Effect	Study Details
4088550	Cell viability	Human embryonic stem cells (hESCs) and human adult pulmonary fibroblasts (hPF)	NA	Doses: 0.0001- 0.1 M	NOAEL: 0.00745M for hESCs IC50: 0.04 M for hESCs and hPF	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity not reported GLP compliance not reported Results: In hESCs the estimated NOAEL was 0.00745M and the IC50 was 0.045M, only the highest concentration tested was significantly different from (vehicle) controls The IC50 in hPF cells was identical (0.04M), but a reliable NOAEL could not be determined

Table B.2: Environmental Hazard Aquatic Toxicity: Experimental						
4940389, 4940442	Oryzias latipes	96 hours	Doses: 5 concentrations between 95-1000 mg/L (nominal) Replicates: 10 per group	LC₅₀ > 1000 mg/L	 Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity: 97% OECD Guideline 203 Not GLP compliant 	
4940389, 4940433	Daphnia magna	24 hours	Doses: 5 concentrations between 10-1000 mg/L	EC ₅₀ > 1000 mg/L	Methods:	

Table B.2: Environmer	ntal Hazard				
			Replicates: 4 replicates per concentration, 5 organisms per replicates		 Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity: 97% OECD Guideline 202 Not GLP compliant
4940434, 4940389	Daphnia magna	21 days	Doses: 5 concentrations between 10-1000 mg/L Replicates: 4 replicates per concentration, 10 organisms per replicates	NOEC : 1000 mg/L	Methods: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity: 97% • OECD Guideline 202 • Not GLP compliant Results: • LC ₅₀ > 1000 mg/L for mortality • EC ₅₀ > 1000 mg/L for reproduction rate
4940389	Selenastrum capricornutum	72 hours	Doses: 5 nominal concentrations 95- 1000 mg/L	EC ₅₀ > 1000 mg/L	Methods: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity: 97% • OECD Guideline 201 • Not GLP compliant
Aquatic Toxicity: Estir				Neter	
Model	Chemical Class	Species	Predicted Effect Level	Notes	
ECOSAR v2.0 (Class: Neutral Organics)	ChV	Aquatic vertebrates	1600 mg/L	Physical properties used for estimation Log K _{ow} -0.38; water solubility 1000 mg/L; melting point -30°C SMILES: CC(O)COC(C)COC(C)CO	
ECOSAR v2.0 (Class: Neutral Organics)	ChV	Green algae	480 mg/L	Physical properties used for estimation Log K _{ow} -0.38; water solubility 1000 mg/L; melting point -30°C SMILES: CC(O)COC(C)COC(C)CO	

	Table B.3: Fate						
	Environmental Fate: Experimental						
Source	Endpoint	Duration	Doses and number of replicates	Results	Study Details		
4940389	BOD	28 days	Dose: 100 mg/L	Not readily biodegradable	Method: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity not reported • OECD Guideline 301C • GLP compliant Results: • 0% degradation by TOC and 0-3% by GC after 28 days • 1-2% BOD degradation after 28 days		
4940425	CO ₂ evolution	28 days	NA	Not readily biodegradable	Method: Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity: 95% OECD Guideline 301B GLP compliant Results: 0% degradation by DOC after 28 days 4-5% degradation by CO2 evolution after 28 days		
4940426	O ₂ consumption	28 days	NA	69% degradation after 28 days	Method: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity: 99.43% • OECD Guideline 301D • GLP compliant Results: • 59% in 11 days • 69% degradation after 28 days		
4940432	O ₂ consumption, CO ₂ consumption, DOC removal	28 days	Dose: 100 mg/L	Readily biodegradable	 Method: Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity: 99.9% OECD Guideline 301F GLP compliant Results: 81.9% O₂ consumption, 61% CO₂ consumption, 91.7% DOC removal after 28 days 55.3% biodegradation within 10-day window 		

Table B.3: Fate						
4940431	O ₂ consumption	28 days	NA	Not readily biodegradable	Method: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity: 99.43% • OECD Guideline 301D • GLP compliant Results: • 0% degradation by O ₂ consumption after 28day (below detection limit of <2.5% ThOD)	
4940428	Aerobic seawater	64 days	Dose: 51.2 mg/L	 46.1% DOC removal after 64 days 33.5% CO₂ evolution after 62 days 	 Method: Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity 99.4% OECD Guideline 306 GLP compliant 	
4946320	Sediment/water	20 days	Doses: 5 and 10 mg/L	Inherently Biodegradable	 Method: Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 Purity not reported OECD Guideline 301E GLP compliant Endpoint: <10% after 20 days with 10 mg/L dose 100% biodegradation by day 16 with 5 mg/L Authors suggest that oxidation products may be toxic to inoculum and TPG is inherently biodegradable 	
4940429	DOC removal using activated sludge inoculum	6 weeks	Dose: 18.5 mg/L	DOC removal 83.6% after 6 weeks	Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity > 99.9% OECD Guideline 301F or OECD Guideline 302A GLP compliant Endpoints: DOC removal 83.6% after 6 weeks Biodegradation from days 10-42 of 82.5-84.7%	

Table B.3:	Fate					
4940437	Toxicity to microorganisms	3 hours	Doses : 10, 32, 100, 320 and 1000 mg/L	NOEC > 1000 mg/L	Methods: • Test substance reported as CASRN 24800-44-0 • Purity: 99.9% • OECD Guideline 209 • GLP compliant Results: • EC ₅₀ >1000 mg/L (nominal)	
4940441	Toxicity to microorganisms	18 hours	Doses: Range Finding: 0.1,1, 100, and 1000 mg/L Main study: 1.95, 3.91, 7.81, 15.63, 31.25, 62.5, 125, 250, 500, and 1000 mg/L	EC ₁₀ > 1000 mg/L	Methods: Test substance reported as CASRN 25265-71-8 Purity: 99.9% GLP compliant	
Environme	ntal Fate: Modelled		•			
Model	Data Type	Endpoint	Predicted Endpoint	Notes		
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	BAF	0.9			
EPISuite v.4.11	Estimated	BCF	3.16			
EPISuite v.4.11 (BIOWIN 7)	Estimated	Anaerobic biodegradation	Not predicted to biodegrade quickly under anaerobic conditions	Probability of -0.0712. Fragment representation is valid. Fast degradation is defined as predicted probability >0.5.		
EPI Suite Reference			The measured melting point and boiling point entered into EPI Suite were taken from PhysProp. The measured vapor pressure and Log K _{ow} were taken from ECHA.		/sical Property Inputs - BP = 271 deg C, MP = -30 deg C, VP = 0.00195 mm 0000 mg/L, Log P = -0.38 SMILES: CC(O)COC(C)COC(C)CO	

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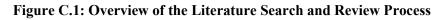
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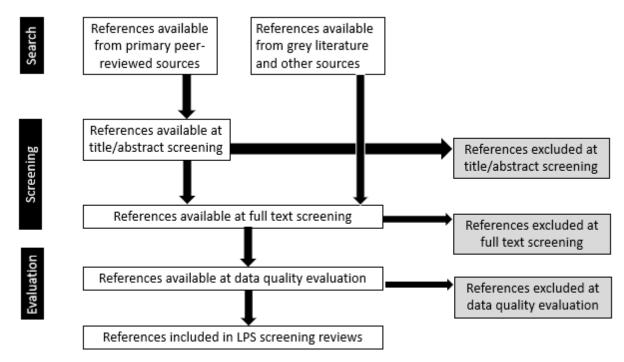
Appendix C: Literature Search Outcomes

C.1 Literature Search and Review

This section briefly describes the literature search and review process, search terms, and search outcomes for the hazard and fate screening of tripropylene glycol. Search outcomes and reference details are provided on the candidate's HERO⁴² project page.

EPA created a fit-for-purpose process to transparently document the literature search and review⁴³ of available hazard and fate information for low-priority substance (LPS) candidates. References from peer-reviewed primary sources, grey sources,⁴⁴ and other sources were identified, screened at the title/abstract and full-text level, and evaluated for data quality based on discipline-specific criteria. An overview of the literature search and review process is illustrated in Figure C1.





C.1.1 Search for Analog Data

To supplement the information on the candidate chemical, tripropylene glycol, the following LPS candidates were used as analogs for read-across: 1,1'-dimethyldiethylene glycol and dipropylene glycol.

⁴² The HERO low-priority substance candidate project pages are accessible to the public at <u>https://hero.epa.gov/hero/</u>.

⁴³ Discussed in the document "Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances Under TSCA."

⁴⁴ Grey literature and additional sources are the broad category of studies not found in standard, peer-reviewed literature database searches. This includes U.S. and international government agency websites, non-government organization (NGO) websites, and data sources that are difficult to find, or are not included, in the peer-reviewed databases, such as white papers, conference proceedings, technical reports, reference books, dissertations, and information on various stakeholder websites.

For more details and justification on analogs, see section 6.1.1. Analogs were used to fill data gaps on endpoints for which tripropylene glycol lacked quality data, such as developmental toxicity, and to add to the weight of the scientific evidence. Analog references were searched, screened and evaluated using the same process as references on tripropylene glycol described above.⁴³ Tripropylene glycol and the two analogs mentioned above fall under the glycol cluster.

C.1.2 Search Terms and Results

EPA began the literature review process for the hazard screening of tripropylene glycol by developing search terms. To gather publicly available information, specific search terms were applied for each discipline and across databases and grey literature sources. Table C.1 lists the search terms used in the database search of peer -reviewed literature for the glycol cluster including tripropylene glycol. For grey literature and other secondary sources, Table C.2 lists the search terms used for the glycol cluster.

Discipline	Database	Search terms
Human Health	PubMed	 25265-71-8[rn] OR 110-98-5[rn] OR 24800-44-0[rn] OR "((1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)bis(oxy))bispropanol"[tw] OR "((Methylethylene)bis(oxy))dipropanol"[tw] OR "1,1'-Dimethyldiethylene glycol"[tw] OR "1,1'-Oxybis(2-propanol)"[tw] OR "1,1'-Oxybis-2-propanol"[tw] OR "1,1'-Oxydipropan-2-ol"[tw] OR "2,2'-Dihydroxydipropyl ether"[tw] OR "2-(2-(2-Hydroxypropoxy)propoxy)-1-propanol"[tw] OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxybis-"[tw] OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxydi-"[tw] OR "4-Oxa-2,6-heptandiol"[tw] OR "4-Oxaheptane-2,6-diol"[tw] OR "ADK DPG-RF"[tw] OR "Bis(2-hydroxypropyl) ether"[tw] OR "Bis(3-hydroxypropyl)ether"[tw] OR "Diisopropylene glycol"[tw] OR "DIPROPYLENGLYCOL"[tw] OR "DIPROPYLENGLYKOL"[tw] OR "Dowanol DPG"[tw] OR "DPG-FC"[tw] OR "DPG-RF"[tw] OR "NIAX catalyst D-19"[tw] OR "oxidipropanol"[tw] OR "Oxybispropanol"[tw] OR "Oxydipropanol"[tw] OR "Propanol, ((1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)bis(oxy))bis-"[tw] OR "Propanol, oxybis-"[tw] OR "Tripropylene glycol"[tw]
	Toxline	 (25265-71-8[rn] OR 110-98-5[rn] OR 24800-44-0[rn] OR "((1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)bis(oxy))bispropanol" OR "((Methylethylene)bis(oxy))dipropanol" OR "1,1'-Dimethyldiethylene glycol" OR "1,1'-Oxybis(2-propanol)" OR "1,1'-Oxybis-2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxydi-2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxydipropan-2-ol" OR "2,2'-Dihydroxydipropyl ether" OR "2-(2-(2-Hydroxypropoxy)propoxy)-1-propanol" OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxybis-" OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxydi-" OR "4-Oxa-2,6-heptandiol" OR "4-Oxaheptane-2,6-diol" OR "ADK DPG-RF" OR "Bis(2-hydroxypropyl) ether" OR "Bis(3-hydroxypropyl)ether" OR "Diisopropylene glycol" OR "Dipropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENEGLYCOL" OR "DIPROPYLENGLYKOL" OR "Dowanol DPG" OR "DPG-FC" OR "DPG-RF" OR "NIAX catalyst D-19" OR "oxidipropanol" OR "Oxybispropanol" OR "Oxydipropanol" OR "Propanol, ((1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)bis(oxy))bis-" OR "Propanol, oxybis-" OR "Tripropylene glycol") AND (ANEUPL [org] OR BIOSIS [org] OR CIS [org] OR DART [org] OR EMIC [org] OR EPIDEM [org] OR NTIS [org] OR PESTAB [org] OR PPBIB [org]) AND NOT PubMed [org] AND NOT pubdart [org]
	TSCATS 1	(25265-71-8 [rn] OR 110-98-5 [rn] OR 24800-44-0 [rn]) AND (TSCATS [org]) AND NOT PubMed [org] AND NOT pubdart [org]
	WOS	TS=("25265-71-8" OR "110-98-5" OR "24800-44-0" OR "((1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)bis(oxy))bispropanol" OR "((Methylethylene)bis(oxy))dipropanol" OR "1,1'-Dimethyldiethylene glycol" OR "1,1'-Oxybis(2-propanol)" OR "1,1'-Oxybis-2- propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxydi-2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxydipropan-2-ol" OR "2,2'-Dihydroxydipropyl ether" OR "2-(2-(2- Hydroxypropoxy)propoxy)-1-propanol" OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxybis-" OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxydi-" OR "4-Oxa-2,6-heptandiol" OR "4-Oxaheptane-2,6-diol" OR "ADK DPG-RF" OR "Bis(2-hydroxypropyl) ether" OR "Bis(3-hydroxypropyl)ether" OR "Diisopropylene glycol" OR "Dipropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENGLYCOL" OR "DIPROPYLENGLYKOL" OR "Dowanol DPG" OR "DPG-FC" OR "DPG-RF" OR "NIAX catalyst D-19" OR "oxidipropanol" OR "Oxybispropanol" OR "Oxydipropanol" OR "Propanol, ((1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)bis(oxy))bis-" OR "Propanol, oxybis-" OR "Tripropylene glycol") Indexes=SCI-EXPANDED, CPCI-S, CPCI-SSH, BKCI-S, BKCI-SSH, CCR-EXPANDED, IC Timespan=All years
Environmental	WOS	Same as human health strategy synonyms only; no other restrictions
Hazard	Toxline	Same as human health strategy synonyms only; no other restrictions

Table C.1:	Search Terms Used in	Peer Reviewed Databases
	TSCATS 1	Same as human health strategy CASRN only; no other restrictions
	Proquest Agricola	TITLE=("25265-71-8" OR "1,1'-Oxybis 2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxybis-2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxydi-2-propanol" OR "1,1'- Oxydipropan-2-ol" OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxybis-" OR "Bis 2-hydroxypropyl ether" OR "Dipropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENEGLYCOL" OR "Propanol, oxybis-" OR "Tripropylene glycol") ABSTRACT=("25265-71-8" OR "1,1'-Oxybis 2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxybis-2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxydi-2-propanol" OR "1,1'- Oxydipropan-2-ol" OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxybis-" OR "Bis 2-hydroxypropyl ether" OR "Dipropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENEGLYCOL" OR "Propanol, oxybis-" OR "Bis 2-hydroxypropyl ether" OR "Dipropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENEGLYCOL" OR "Propanol, oxybis-" OR "Bis 2-hydroxypropyl ether" OR "Dipropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENEGLYCOL" OR "Propanol, oxybis-" OR "Tripropylene glycol") SUBJECT=("25265-71-8" OR "1,1'-Oxybis 2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxybis-2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxydi-2-propanol" OR "1,1'- Oxydipropan-2-ol" OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxybis 2-propanol" OR "1,1'-Oxybis-2-propanol" OR "1,1'- Oxydipropan-2-ol" OR "2-Propanol, 1,1'-oxybis-" OR "Bis 2-hydroxypropyl ether" OR "Dipropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENEGLYCOL" OR "Propanol, oxybis-" OR "Bis 2-hydroxypropyl ether" OR "Dipropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENEGLYCOL" OR "1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl bis oxy bispropanol" OR "Methylethylene bis oxy dipropanol" OR "1,1'-Dimethyldiethylene glycol" OR "2,2'-Dihydroxydipropyl ether" OR "2- 2- 2-Hydroxypropxy propoxy -1-propanol" OR "2- Propanol, 1,1'-oxydi-" OR "4-Oxa-2,6-heptandiol" OR "4-Oxaheptane-2,6-diol" OR "ADK DPG-RF" OR "Bis 3-hydroxypropyl ether" OR "Diisopropylene glycol" OR "DIPROPYLENGLYKOL" OR "Dowanol DPG" OR "DPG-FC" OR "DPG-RF" OR "NIAX catalyst D-19" OR "oxidipropanol" OR "Oxybispropanol" OR "Oxydipropanol" OR "Propanol, 1-methyl-1,2-ethanediyl bis oxy bis-")
Fate	WOS	Same as human health strategy synonyms only; no other restrictions

Chemical	Search terms
Glycol cluster (1,1'- Dimethyldiethylene glycol; dipropylene glycol, tripropylene glycol)	

After the search terms were applied, more than 620 references were returned by all search efforts across peer-reviewed databases and grey literature sources. The total number of references include database results, additional strategies, and analog searches. All references from the search efforts were screened and evaluated through the LPS literature search and review process.⁴³ Of these, 71 references were included for data evaluation and used to support the designation of tripropylene glycol as LPS. The included hazard and fate references are listed in the bibliography of Appendix B.

C.2 Excluded Studies and Rationale

This section lists the excluded references, by HERO ID, found to be off-topic or unacceptable for use in the hazard screening of tripropylene glycol. The excluded references are organized by discipline (human health hazard, environmental hazard, and fate), presented along with a rationale based on exclusion criteria. The criteria⁴³ was used to determine off-topic references in the title/abstract or full-text screening and to determine unacceptable references in the data quality evaluation are provided in the form of questions.

C.2.1 Human Health Hazard Excluded References

For the screening review of tripropylene glycol, EPA excluded a total of 539 references when assessing human health hazard. Off-topic references (e.g., studies that did not contain information relevant to human health) were excluded at either title/abstract screening (see Table C.3), or full-text screening (see Table C.4). Unacceptable references (e.g., studies that did not meet data quality metrics) were excluded at full-text screening (see Tables C.5 and C.6). Off-topic and unacceptable references are displayed next to the corresponding exclusion criteria.

Table C.3: C	Table C.3: Off-topic references excluded at Title/Abstract Screening for human health hazard								
	Reference	excluded (HERC	ID) because the	e reference did N	IOT contain infor	mation needs ⁴⁵	relevant to huma	an health hazard	
33975	4949055	4948960	4947155	4705492	1201178	4949084	4948984	4948886	4946188
44187	4949056	4948961	4947156	4706833	1204953	4949085	4948985	4948887	4946189
404898	4949058	4948962	4947159	4738360	1249186	4949086	4948986	4948890	4946190
628230	4949060	4948963	4947160	4738993	1254062	4949087	4948988	4948891	4946193
628727	4949061	4948964	4947161	4742957	1314113	4949089	4948989	4948892	4946194
635083	4949063	4948965	4947175	4828940	1316100	4949090	4948990	4948893	4946210
744085	4949064	4948966	4947177	4828943	1321888	4949092	4948991	4948894	4946247
789593	4949065	4948967	4947178	4847997	1458307	4949094	4948992	4948895	4946257
789651	4949066	4948968	4947179	4853443	1496934	4949095	4948993	4948896	4946258
926985	4949067	4948969	4947182	4909646	1549118	4949096	4948994	4948898	4946259
992939	4949068	4948970	4947185	4940595	1580047	4949098	4948995	4948899	4946263

⁴⁵ The information needs for human health hazard includes a list of study characteristics pertaining to the study population/test organism, types of exposures and routes, use of controls, type and level of effects. A complete list of the information needs is provided in Table A1 of the "Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances Under TSCA". These information needs helped guide the development of questions for title/abstract and full-text screening.

Table C.3: Of	f-topic reference	es excluded at Ti	tle/Abstract Scre	ening for huma	n health hazard				
1058389	4949070	4948971	4947187	4940694	1611582	4949099	4948996	4948900	4946320
1058433	4949071	4948972	4947189	4940855	1612753	4949100	4948997	4948902	4946322
1112905	4949072	4948974	4947194	4941419	1615034	4949102	4948998	4948904	4946324
1124442	4949074	4948975	4947200	4945941	1689217	4949103	4948999	4948905	4946329
1124901	4949075	4948977	4947201	4946008	1763085	4949104	4949000	4948906	4946359
1142139	4949076	4948978	4947202	4946061	1763087	4949105	4949001	4948909	4946360
1153582	4949078	4948979	4947203	4946132	1763125	4949106	4949002	4948911	4946361
1156301	4949080	4948980	4947204	4946147	1763137	4949108	4949003	4948912	4946374
1167387	4949081	4948981	4947223	4946178	1763157	4949109	4949004	4948913	4946375
1201159	4949082	4948982	4947224	4946179	1781960	4949110	4949005	4948914	4946376
1201176	4949083	4948983	4948885	4946180	1808388	4949111	4949006	4948915	4946380
3036899	4949156	4949040	4948950	4947131	1808755	4949112	4949007	4948916	4946387
3037885	4949157	4949042	4948951	4947132	1865871	4949113	4949009	4948918	4946408
3038973	4949158	4949044	4948952	4947135	1955931	4949116	4949010	4948919	4946410
3039406	4949159	4949045	4948953	4947136	1967450	4949117	4949011	4948920	4946411
3039791	4951048	4949046	4948954	4947137	1970619	4949118	4949012	4948921	4946419
3041527	4951050	4949047	4948955	4947138	2231679	4949119	4949013	4948922	4946423
3041622	4951055	4949049	4948956	4947140	2232056	4949120	4949015	4948923	4946506
3041638	4951170	4949051	4948958	4947141	2232422	4949121	4949016	4948925	4946513
3041935	4951176	4949052	4948959	4947154	2232425	4949122	4949017	4948926	4946538
3047394	4951181	4949053	4339757	4576534	2232427	4949123	4949018	4948927	4946547
3051635	4951206	4949054	4376725	4579583	2232444	4949126	4949020	4948928	4946614
3051709	4951208	3753956	4388064	4583202	2232562	4949128	4949021	4948930	4946615
3103598	4951228	3823035	4391261	4656492	2273142	4949129	4949022	4948931	4946617
3114932	4428638	3830342	4395587	4660346	2292715	4949130	4949023	4948932	4946619

Table C.3: O	ff-topic referenc	es excluded at T	itle/Abstract Scr	eening for huma	n health hazard				
3115961	4428838	3830898	4398518	4704876	2302957	4949131	4949024	4948933	4946620
3119596	4433785	3846566	4399866	3577212	2530089	4949132	4949026	4948934	4946621
3225794	4436364	3847436	4400649	3577235	2563138	4949134	4949027	4948935	4946623
3374286	4436864	3874693	4404349	3590105	2692340	4949135	4949028	4948936	4947105
3402924	4438060	4146480	4408404	3619406	2745927	4949138	4949029	4948938	4947106
3445046	4438415	4148076	4420372	3625221	2824290	4949140	4949030	4948940	4947107
3476490	4425601	4148079	4420932	4275583	2875983	4949141	4949031	4948942	4947108
3477473	4426820	4168926	4420947	4276472	2883990	4949142	4949032	4948943	4947109
3491334	3559324	4173202	4421954	4423539	2887419	4949149	4949033	4948944	4947110
3539276	3562800	4222683	4948949	4947130	2892020	4949150	4949034	4948946	4947111
3009070	4949153	4949037	4948948	4947115	2978028	4949152	4949035	4948947	4947113
3036268	4949154	4949039							
	Reference excluded (HERO ID) because the reference primarily contained <i>in silico</i> data								
N/A.									

Table C.4: Screening Questions and Off-Topic Re	eferences Excluded at Full-text Screer	ing for Human Health Hazard	
Question	Off-topic if answer is:	References excluded (HERO ID)	
Does the reference contain information pertaining	No	1322754	
to a low- priority substance candidate?		1629162	
		1776453	
		1875316	
		2301122	
		2301139	
		3041082	
		4219489	
		4862648	
		4940454	
		4941418	
		4946053	

Question	ic References Excluded at Full-text Screening for Huma Off-topic if answer is:	References excluded (HERO ID)
		4947114
		4951209
		61412
		824457
		1744616
		1744618
		3039593
		4441664
		4442235
		4862648
		4940287
		4940288
		4940320
		4940383
		4940385
		4940387
		4940395
		4940392
		4946053
		4948456
		4949088
		4951173
		4951178
What type of source is this reference?	Review article or book chapter that contains only	1004739
	citations to primary literature sources	3038211
		4940386
		4946377
		628176
		3036785
What kind of evidence does this reference primarily contain?	In silico studies that DO NOT contain experimental verification	N/A.

Table C.4: Screening Questions and Off-Topic Re	eferences Excluded at Full-text Screening for Huma				
Question	Off-topic if answer is:	References excluded (HERO ID)			
The following question apply to HUMAN evidence only					
Does the reference report an exposure route that	No	N/A.			
is or is presumed to be by an inhalation, oral, or					
dermal route?					
Does the reference report both test substance	No	N/A.			
exposure(s) AND related health outcome(s)?					
If the reference reports an exposure to a chemical	No	4951213			
mixture, are measures of the test substance or					
related metabolite(s) reported independently of					
other chemicals?					
Note: If the paper does not pertain to mixtures,					
choose "Not Applicable".					
	The following question apply to ANIMAL evide	ence only			
Does the reference report an exposure route that	No	N/A.			
is by inhalation, oral, or dermal route?					
Does the reference report both test substance-	No	N/A.			
related exposure(s) AND related health					
outcome(s)?					
Does the reference report the duration of	No	N/A.			
exposure?					
Does the reference report an exposure to the test	No	4951261			
substance only (i.e. no mixtures with the exception		4951218			
of aqueous solutions and reasonable impurities		4951185			
and byproducts)?		1230541			
Does the paper report a negative control that is a	No ⁴⁶	4951261			
vehicle control or no treatment control?					
	questions apply to MECHANISTIC/ALTERNATIVE T	•			
Does the reference report a negative control that is	No	3036587			
a vehicle control or no treatment control?					

⁴⁶ Except for acute mammalian toxicity and skin and eye irritation studies, where the use of a negative control may not be required (e.g., OECD 403 Acute Inhalation Toxicity Guidelines).

Table C.4: Screening Questions and Off-Topic References Excluded at Full-text Screening for Human Health Hazard					
Question	Off-topic if answer is:	References excluded (HERO ID)			
Does the reference report an exposure to the test	No	N/A.			
substance only (i.e. no mixtures with the exception					
of aqueous solutions and reasonable impurities					
and byproducts)?					
For genotoxicity studies only: Does the study use a	No	3036587			
positive control?					

Data Quality Metric	Unacceptable if:	References excluded (HERO ID)
Metric 1: Test substance identity	 The test substance identity cannot be determined from the information provided (e.g., nomenclature was unclear and CASRN or structure were not reported). OR For mixtures, the components and ratios were not characterized or did not include information that could result in a reasonable approximation of components. 	N/A.
Metric 2: Negative and vehicle controls	A concurrent negative control group was not included or reported. OR The reported negative control group was not appropriate (e.g., age/weight of animals differed between control and treated groups).	N/A.
Metric 3: Positive controls	When applicable, an appropriate concurrent positive control (i.e., inducing a positive response) was not used.	N/A.
Metric 4: Reporting of doses/concentrations	Doses/concentrations were not reported and could not be calculated using default or reported estimates of body weight and diet/water intake (e.g., default intake values are not available for pregnant animals).	1763148 3041958 4940388 4940524 4940510

Table C.5: Data Quality Metrics and Unacc	ceptable References Excluded at Data Quality Evaluation for	or Human Health Hazard –Animal
Data Quality Metric	Unacceptable if:	References excluded (HERO ID)
Metric 5:	The duration of exposure was not reported.	4940388
Exposure duration	OR	4940389
	The reported exposure duration was not suited to	4941420
	the study type and/or outcome(s) of interest (e.g.,	4946133
	<28 days for repeat dose).	
Metric 6:	The test animal species was not reported.	4941420
Test animal characteristics	OR	1763148
	The test animal (species, strain, sex, life-stage,	4940389
	source) was not appropriate for the evaluation of	4940388
	the specific outcome(s) of interest (e.g., genetically	3041958
	modified animals, strain was uniquely susceptible or	4946133
	resistant to one or more outcome of interest).	
Metric 7:	The number of animals per study group was not	N/A.
Number of animals per group	reported.	
	OR	
	The number of animals per study group was	
	insufficient to characterize toxicological effects (e.g., 1-2 animals in each group).	
	1-2 animais in each group).	
Metric 8:	The outcome assessment methodology was not	1763148
Outcome assessment methodology	sensitive for the outcome(s) of interest (e.g.,	2282271
	evaluation of endpoints outside the critical window	4940388
	of development, a systemic toxicity study that evaluated only grossly observable endpoints, such	4940389
	as clinical signs and mortality, etc.).	4941420
	. , ,	4946133
Metric 9:	Data presentation was inadequate (e.g., the	4940388
Reporting of data	report does not differentiate among findings in	4940524
	multiple exposure groups). OR	4941420
	Major inconsistencies were present in reporting of	2282271
	results.	4442235
		4940303
		4940394
		4946044
		4940452

Table C.6: Data Quality Metrics and Unacceptab	le References Excluded at Data Quality Evaluation fo	or Human Health Hazard – In Vitro
Data Quality Metric	Unacceptable if:	References excluded (HERO ID)
Metric 1: Test substance identity	The test substance identity or description cannot be determined from the information provided (e.g., nomenclature was unclear and CASRN or structure were not reported). OR For mixtures, the components and ratios were not characterized or did not include information that could result in a reasonable approximation of components.	3039551
Metric 2: Negative controls	A concurrent negative control group was not included or reported. OR The reported negative control group was not appropriate (e.g., different cell lines used for controls and test substance exposure).	N/A.
Metric 3: Positive controls	A concurrent positive control or proficiency group was not used.	N/A.
Metric 4: Assay type	The assay type was not reported. OR The assay type was not appropriate for the study type or outcome of interest (e.g., <i>in vitro</i> skin corrosion protocol used for <i>in vitro</i> skin irritation assay).	N/A.
Metric 5: Reporting of concentration	The exposure doses/concentrations or amounts of test substance were not reported.	N/A.
Metric 6: Exposure duration	No information on exposure duration(s) was reported. OR The exposure duration was not appropriate for the study type and/or outcome of interest (e.g., 24 hours exposure for bacterial reverse mutation test).	4940521 4940522 4940389 2282271
Metric 7: Metabolic activation	No information on the characterization and use of a metabolic activation system was reported. OR	N/A.

Table C.6: Data Quality Metrics and Unacco	eptable References Excluded at Data Quality Evaluation for	or Human Health Hazard – In Vitro
Data Quality Metric	Unacceptable if:	References excluded (HERO ID)
	The exposure duration was not appropriate	
	for the study type and/or outcome of interest	
	(e.g., 24 hours exposure for bacterial reverse	
	mutation test).	
Metric 8:	The test model was not reported	N/A.
Test model	OR	
	The test model was not routinely used for	
	evaluation of the specific outcome of interest.	
Metric 9:	The outcome assessment methodology was not	4940451
Outcome assessment methodology	reported.	4940388
	OR	
	The assessment methodology was not appropriate	
	for the outcome(s) of interest (e.g., cells were	
	evaluated for chromosomal aberrations immediately	
	after exposure to the test substance instead of after	
	post-exposure incubation period).	

C.2.2 Environmental Hazard

For the screening review of LPS candidate tripropylene glycol, EPA excluded a total of 547 references when assessing environmental hazard. Offtopic environmental hazard references excluded at title/abstract screening are listed in Table C.7, and those excluded at full-text screening are listed in Table C.8. References in Table C.9 represent unacceptable studies based on specific data quality metrics for environmental hazard. Offtopic and unacceptable references are displayed next to the corresponding exclusion criteria.

Table C.7: Off-	Table C.7: Off-Topic References Excluded at Title/Abstract Screening for Environmental Hazard								
Reference excluded (HERO ID) because the reference did NOT contain information needs ⁴⁷ relevant to environmental hazard									
44187	4440871	4949112	4948988	4946374	2892020	4738993	1744618	4949052	4948891
404898	4441664	4949113	4948989	4946375	2978028	4742957	1763125	4949053	4948892

⁴⁷ The information needs for environmental hazard includes a list of study characteristics pertaining to the test organism/species, type and level of effects, and use of controls. A complete list of the information needs is provided in Table A2 of the "Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances Under TSCA". These information needs helped guide the development of questions for title/abstract and full-text screening.

Table C.7: Off-	Topic Reference	s Excluded at Tit	le/Abstract Scree	ning for Environ	mental Hazard				
635083	4442235	4949116	4948990	4946376	3009070	4828940	1763137	4949054	4948893
744085	4940392	4949117	4948991	4946377	3036268	4828943	1763148	4949055	4948894
789593	4940395	4949118	4948992	4946380	3036587	4847997	1763157	4949056	4948895
789651	4941420	4949119	4948993	4946387	3036785	4853443	1776453	4949058	4948896
824457	4944882	4949120	4948994	4946408	3036899	4862648	1808755	4949060	4948898
926985	4946008	4949121	4948995	4946419	3037885	4909646	2112816	4949061	4948899
1058389	4946016	4949122	4948996	4946513	3038211	4940595	2301122	4949063	4948900
1058433	4946044	4949123	4948997	4946538	3038973	4940694	2301139	4949064	4948902
1112905	4946053	4949126	4948998	4946547	3039406	4940855	2745927	4949065	4948904
1124442	4946054	4949128	4948999	4946614	3039551	4941418	3041082	4949066	4948905
1124901	4946055	4949129	4949001	4946615	3039791	4941419	3041527	4949067	4948906
1142139	4946135	4949130	4949002	4946617	3041935	4945941	3041622	4949068	4948909
1153582	4946142	4949132	4949003	4946619	3114932	4946061	3041638	4949070	4948911
1156301	4946194	4949134	4949004	4946620	3115961	4946132	3103598	4949071	4948912
1167387	4946244	4949135	4949005	4946623	3225794	4946133	3118622	4949072	4948913
1201159	4946247	4949138	4949006	4947105	3374286	4946147	4222683	4949074	4948914
1201176	4946261	4949140	4949007	4947107	3402924	4946178	4259576	4949075	4948915
1201178	4946314	4949141	4949009	4947108	3445046	4946179	4440869	4949076	4948916
1204953	4946316	4949142	4949010	4947109	3476490	4946180	4948954	4949078	4948918
1249186	4946333	4949149	4949011	4947110	3477473	4946188	4948955	4949080	4948919
1321888	4946334	4949150	4949012	4947111	3491334	4946189	4948956	4949081	4948920
1458307	4946361	4949152	4949013	4947113	3539276	4946190	4948958	4949082	4948921
1496934	4946362	4949153	4949015	4947114	3559324	4946191	4948959	4949083	4948922
1549118	4946363	4949154	4949016	4947115	3562800	4946193	4948960	4949084	4948923
1611582	4946410	4949156	4949017	4947130	3577212	4946210	4948961	4949085	4948925
1612753	4946411	4949157	4949018	4947131	3577235	4946257	4948962	4949086	4948926
1615034	4946412	4949158	4949020	4947132	3590105	4946258	4948963	4949087	4948927
1689217	4946414	4949159	4949021	4947135	3619406	4946259	4948964	4949088	4948928
1781960	4946416	4951181	4949022	4947136	3625221	4946263	4948965	4949089	4948930

Table C.7: O	ff-Topic Reference	ces Excluded at 1	Title/Abstract Scr	eening for Envir	onmental Hazard				
1808388	4946420	1763085	4949023	4947137	3753956	4946322	4948966	4949090	4948931
1865871	4946423	1763087	4949024	4947138	3830342	4946324	4948967	4949092	4948932
1875316	4946424	4946320	4949026	4947140	3830898	4946329	4948968	4949094	4948933
1955931	4946506	4949131	4949027	4947141	3846566	4946359	4948969	4949095	4948934
1967450	4946511	992939	4949028	4947155	3847436	4946360	4948970	4949096	4948935
1970619	4946541	3051635	4949029	4947156	3874693	4420932	4948971	4949098	4948936
2231679	4946621	3051709	4949030	4947159	4088550	4420947	4948972	4949099	4948938
2232056	4947224	4951048	4949031	4947160	4146480	4421954	4948974	4949100	4948940
2232422	4948456	2282271	4949032	4947161	4148076	4423539	4948975	4949102	4948942
2232425	4949000	33975	4949033	4947175	4148079	4425601	4948977	4949103	4948943
2232427	4951050	61412	4949034	4947177	4168926	4426820	4948978	4949104	4948944
2232444	4951055	628176	4949035	4947182	4173202	4428638	4948979	4949105	4948946
2232562	4951170	628230	4949037	4947185	4275583	4428838	4948980	4949106	4948947
2273142	4951173	628727	4949039	4947189	4276472	4433785	4948981	4949108	4948948
2292715	4951176	1004739	4949040	4947201	4339757	4436364	4948982	4949109	4948949
2302957	4951185	1230541	4949042	4947202	4376725	4436864	4948983	4949110	4948950
2563138	4951207	1254062	4949044	4947203	4388064	4438060	4948984	4949111	4948951
2692340	4951209	1314113	4949045	4947204	4391261	4438415	4948985	4579583	4948952
2824290	4951213	1316100	4949046	4948885	4395587	4576534	4948986	4583202	4948953
2875983	4951218	1322754	4949047	4948886	4398518	4404349	4705492	4660346	4420372
2883990	4951261	1580047	4949049	4948887	4399866	4408404	4706833	4704876	4400649
2887419	4738360	1629162	4949051	4948890					
	Re	eference exclude	d (HERO ID) beca	use the reference	e did NOT prese	nt quantitative er	vironmental haz	ard data	
N/A.	J/A.								

Table C.8: Screening Questions and Off-Topic References Excluded at Full-text Screening for Environmental Hazard						
Question Off-topic if answer is: References excluded (HERO ID)						
Does the reference contain information pertaining	No	1580138				
to a low- priority substance candidate?		4731313				
		4851358				

Question	Off-topic if answer is:	References excluded (HERO ID)
		4951178
		1744616
		4940286
		4951206
		4951228
		4940436
		4947106
		4951208
What type of source is this reference?	Review article or book chapter that contains only	4219489
	citations to primary literature sources	
Is quantitative environmental hazard data	No	N/A.
presented?		
Is this primarily a modeling/simulation study?	Yes	N/A.
[Note: select "No" if experimental verification was		
included in the study]		
Is environmental hazard data presented for	No	N/A.
standard or non-standard aquatic or terrestrial		
species (fish, invertebrates, microorganisms, non-		
mammalian terrestrial species)?		
Is exposure measured for the target substance or	Mixture	N/A.
is the test substance a mixture (except for	Formulated Product	N/A.
reasonable impurities, byproducts, and aqueous		
solutions) or formulated product?		
Does the reference report a duration of exposure?	No	N/A.
Does the reference report a negative control that is	No	7504
a vehicle control or no treatment control?		4940435
		4940366
		4940397
Does the reference include endpoints in the	No	N/A.
information needs?		

Table C.9: Data Quality Metrics and Unac	ceptable References Excluded at Data Quality Evaluation fo	or Environmental Hazard
Question	Unacceptable if:	References excluded (HERO ID)
Metric 1: Test Substance Identity	The test substance identity or description cannot be determined from the information provided (e.g., nomenclature was unclear, CASRN or structure were not reported, substance name/ description does not match CASRN). OR For mixtures, the components and ratios were not characterized or did not include information that could result in a reasonable approximation of	N/A.
	components.	
Metric 2:	A concurrent negative control group was not	4951174
Negative Controls	included or reported.	4951208
Metric 3:	The experimental system (e.g., static, semi-static,	4940436
Experimental System	or flow-through regime) was not described.	4940440
		4951174
		4940388
		3041958
Metric 4:	Test concentrations were not reported.	4951174
Reporting of Concentrations		4951208
Metric 5:	The duration of exposure was not reported.	4951208
Exposure Duration	OR	4951174
	The reported exposure duration was not suited to	
	the study type and/or outcome(s) of interest (e.g.,	
	study intended to assess effects on reproduction did	
	not expose organisms for an acceptable period of time prior to mating).	
Metric 6:	The test species was not reported.	N/A.
Test Organism Characteristics	OR	N/A.
	The test species, life stage, or age was not appropriate for the outcome(s) of interest.	
Metric 7:	The outcome assessment methodology was not	N/A.
Outcome Assessment Methodology	reported.	
Metric 8:	Data presentation was inadequate.	4940388
Reporting of Data	OR	3041958

Table C.9: Data Quality Metrics and Unacceptable References Excluded at Data Quality Evaluation for Environmental Hazard						
Question	References excluded (HERO ID)					
	Major inconsistencies were present in reporting of					

C.2.3 Fate

For the screening review of LPS candidate tripropylene glycol, EPA excluded a total of 453 references when assessing environmental fate. Offtopic fate references excluded at title/abstract screening are listed in Table C.10, and those excluded at full-text screening are listed in Table C.11. References in Table C.12 represent unacceptable studies based on specific data quality metrics for fate. Off-topic and unacceptable references are displayed next to the corresponding exclusion criteria.

Table C.10:	Table C.10: Off-Topic References Excluded at Initial Screening for Fate										
	Reference excluded (HERO ID) because the reference did NOT contain information needs ⁴⁸ relevant to environmental fate										
44187	4949033	4948959	4946621	4146480	2232444	4949089	4949005	4948895	4847997		
404898	4949034	4948960	4946623	4148076	2232562	4949090	4949006	4948896	4853443		
635083	4949035	4948961	4947105	4148079	2273142	4949092	4949007	4948898	4862648		
744085	4949037	4948962	4947107	4168926	2292715	4949094	4949009	4948899	4909646		
789593	4949039	4948963	4947108	4173202	2302957	4949095	4949010	4948900	4940595		
789651	4949040	4948964	4947109	4275583	2563138	4949096	4949011	4948902	4940694		
824457	4949042	4948965	4947110	4276472	2692340	4949098	4949012	4948904	4940855		
926985	4949044	4948966	4947111	4339757	2824290	4949099	4949013	4948905	4941418		
992939	4949045	4948967	4947113	4376725	2875983	4949100	4949015	4948906	4941419		
1058389	4949046	4948968	4947114	4388064	2883990	4949102	4949016	4948909	4941420		
1058433	4949047	4948969	4947115	4391261	2887419	4949103	4949017	4948911	4945941		
1112905	4949049	4948970	4947130	4395587	2892020	4949104	4949018	4948912	4946061		
1124442	4949051	4948971	4947131	4398518	2978028	4949105	4949020	4948913	4946132		
1124901	4949052	4948972	4947132	4399866	3009070	4949106	4949021	4948914	4946133		
1142139	4949053	4948974	4947135	4400649	3036268	4949108	4949022	4948915	4946147		
1153582	4949054	4948975	4947136	4404349	3036587	4949109	4949023	4948916	4946178		
1156301	4949055	4948977	4947137	4408404	3036785	4949110	4949024	4948918	4946179		

⁴⁸ The information needs for fate includes a list of study characteristics pertaining to the associated media and exposure pathways, associated processes, and use of controls. A complete list of the information needs is provided in Table A3 of the "Approach Document for Screening Hazard Information for Low-Priority Substances Under TSCA". These information needs helped guide the development of questions for title/abstract and full-text screening.

Table C.10: C	Off-Topic Referen	ces Excluded at I	nitial Screening f	or Fate					
1167387	4949056	4948978	4947138	4420372	3036899	4949111	4949026	4948919	4946180
1201159	4949058	4948979	4947140	4420932	3037885	4949112	4949027	4948920	4946188
1201176	4949060	4948980	4947141	4420947	3038211	4949113	4949028	4948921	4946189
1201178	4949061	4948981	4947155	4421954	3038973	4949116	4949029	4948922	4946190
1204953	4949063	4948982	4947156	4423539	3039406	4949117	4949030	4948923	4946191
1249186	4949064	4948983	4947159	4425601	3039551	4949118	4949031	4948925	4946193
1321888	4949065	4948984	4947160	4426820	3039791	4949119	4949032	4948926	4946194
1458307	4949066	4948985	4947161	4428638	3041935	4949120	4946380	4948927	4946210
1496934	4949067	4948986	4947175	4428838	3114932	4949121	4946387	4948928	4946247
1549118	4949068	4948988	4947177	4433785	3115961	4949122	4946408	4948930	4946257
1611582	4949070	4948989	4947182	4436364	3225794	4949123	4946410	4948931	4946258
1612753	4949071	4948990	4947185	4436864	3374286	4949126	4946419	4948932	4946259
1615034	4949072	4948991	4947189	4438060	3402924	4949128	4946506	4948933	4946263
1689217	4949074	4948992	4947201	4438415	3445046	4949129	4946513	4948934	4946322
1781960	4949075	4948993	4947202	4576534	3476490	4949130	4946538	4948935	4946324
1808388	4949076	4948994	4947203	4579583	3477473	4949132	4946547	4948936	4946329
1865871	4949078	4948995	4947204	4583202	3491334	4949134	4946614	4948938	4946359
1875316	4949080	4948996	4947224	4660346	3539276	4949135	4946615	4948940	4946360
1955931	4949081	4948997	4948885	4704876	3559324	4949138	4946617	4948942	4946361
1967450	4949082	4948998	4948886	4705492	3562800	4949140	4946619	4948943	4946374
1970619	4949083	4948999	4948887	4706833	3577212	4949141	4946620	4948944	4946375
2231679	4949084	4949000	4948890	4738360	3577235	4949142	4948952	4948946	4946376
2232056	4949085	4949001	4948891	4738993	3590105	4949149	4948953	4948947	4946377
2232422	4949086	4949002	4948892	4742957	3619406	4949150	4948954	4948948	4949157
2232425	4949087	4949003	4948893	4828940	3625221	4949152	4948955	4948949	4949158
2232427	4949088	4949004	4948894	4828943	3753956	4949153	4948956	4948950	4949159
3830898	4949156	3847436	3874693	4088550	3830342	4949154	4948958	4948951	4951181
3846566									
	Re	ference excluded	(HERO ID) becau	use the reference	did NOT present	quantitative envi	ronmental fate da	ta	
N/A.									

Table C.11: Screening Questions and Off-Topic F	References Excluded at Full-text Screening for Fate	
Question	Off-topic if answer is:	References excluded (HERO ID)
Does the reference contain information pertaining	No	4940397
to a low- priority substance candidate?		4940399
		4949131
		1763087
		4940401
What type of source is this reference?	Review article or book chapter that contains only	N/A.
	citations to primary literature sources	
Is quantitative fate data presented?	No	N/A.
Is this primarily a modeling/simulation study?	Yes	N/A.
[Note: Select "Yes" only if there is no experimental		
verification]		

Table C.12: Data Quality Metrics and Unacceptable References Excluded at Data Quality Evaluation for Fate				
Data quality metric	Unacceptable if:	References excluded (HERO ID)		
Metric 1:	The test substance identity or description cannot be	N/A.		
Test substance identity	determined from the information provided (e.g.,			
	nomenclature was unclear and CASRN or structure			
	were not reported).			
	OR			
	For mixtures, the components and ratios were not			
	characterized or did not include information that			
	could result in a reasonable approximation of			
	components.			
Metric 2:	The study did not include or report crucial control	4940366		
Study controls	groups that consequently made the study unusable	4940402		
	(e.g., no positive control for a biodegradation study	4940404		
	reporting 0% removal).			
	OR			
	The vehicle used in the study was likely to unduly			
	influence the study results.			
Metric 3:	There were problems with test substance stability,	4940404		
Test substance stability	homogeneity, or preparation that had an impact on	4940430		
	concentration or dose estimates and interfered with			
	interpretation of study results.			

Data quality metric	ceptable References Excluded at Data Quality Evaluation to Unacceptable if:	References excluded (HERO ID)
Metric 4:	The test method was not reported or not suitable	4940402
Test method suitability	for the test substance.	4940404
	OR	
	The test concentrations were not reported. OR	
	The reported test concentrations were not measured, and the nominal concentrations reported	
	greatly exceeded the substances water solubility,	
	which would greatly inhibit meaningful interpretation	
	of the outcomes.	
Metric 5:	Testing conditions were not reported, and the	4940366
Testing conditions	omission would likely have a substantial impact on	4940402
·	study results.	4940404
	OR	
	Testing conditions were not appropriate for the	
	method (e.g., a biodegradation study at	
	temperatures that inhibit the microorganisms).	
Metric 6:	Equilibrium was not established or reported,	N/A.
System type and design- partitioning	preventing meaningful interpretation of study results.	
	OR	
	The system type and design (e.g. static, semi-static,	
	and flow-through; sealed, open) were not capable of	
	appropriately maintaining substance concentrations,	
	preventing meaningful interpretation of study	
	results.	
Metric 7: Test organism-degradation	The test organism, species, or inoculum source	4940402
0 0	were not reported, preventing meaningful	4940430
	interpretation of the study results.	
Metric 8:	The test organism information was not reported.	N/A.
Test organism-partitioning	OR	
-	The test organism is not routinely used and would	
	likely prevent meaningful interpretation of the study	
	results.	

Table C.12: Data Quality Metrics and Unacceptable References Excluded at Data Quality Evaluation for Fate				
Data quality metric	Unacceptable if:	References excluded (HERO ID)		
Metric 9:	The assessment methodology did not address or	1763085		
Outcome assessment methodology	report the outcome(s) of interest.	4940402		
		4940404		
		4940388		
		4940389		
Metric 10:	Insufficient data were reported to evaluate the	N/A.		
Data reporting	outcome of interest or to reasonably infer an			
	outcome of interest.			
	OR			
	The analytical method used was not suitable for			
	detection or quantification of the test substance.			
	OR Data indicate that disconnectance or transformation			
	Data indicate that disappearance or transformation			
	of the parent compound was likely due to some			
Metric 11:	other process. There were sources of variability and uncertainty in	4940402		
Confounding variables	the measurements and statistical techniques or	4940404		
	between study groups.	4940430		
Metric 12:	Reported value was completely inconsistent with	1763085		
Verification or plausibility of results	reference substance data, related physical chemical	4940366		
	properties, or otherwise implausible, suggesting that	4940402		
	a serious study deficiency exists (identified or not).	4940404		

Appendix D: Summary of Public Comments

On March 21, 2019, EPA initiated the prioritization process for 20 chemical substances as candidates for designation as Low-Priority Substances. EPA published a document in the Federal Register providing the identity of the chemical substances being initiated for prioritization and a general explanation of why the Agency chose these chemical substances. EPA provided a 90-day comment period during which interested persons could submit relevant information on these chemical substances.⁴⁹

For tripropylene glycol, EPA received public comment recommending that the Agency consider specific publicly available data sources. EPA reviewed all of these sources as part of its screening review of the chemical. Table 1 below lists these recommended sources, the HERO ID (if applicable), and notes about each source. EPA used the Health & Environmental Research Online (HERO) database to search, retrieve, and/or store data sources supporting scientific assessments. For references with HERO IDs, more information on the references can be found by searching the HERO ID at https://hero.epa.gov/hero/index.cfm/search/index.

Table D.1: Recommended Sources for Tripropylene Glycol based on Public Comment					
Source	HERO ID	Notes			
The Dow Chemical Company. (2016) Product Safety Assessment: Tripropylene Glycol	NA	EPA captured this information from other sources in Section 3: Physical-Chemical			
		Properties.			
Fiume, Monice M. et al. (2012). Safety Assessment of		This review article was part of EPA's literature			
Propylene Glycol, Tripropylene Glycol, and PPGs as Used	3036587	review process but was excluded due to a lack of			
in Cosmetics. International Journal of Toxicology, 31 (Supplement 2),		sufficient details needed to evaluate the studies cited.			
Fowles, J. R., Banton, M. I., & Pottenger, L. H. (2013). A toxicological review of propylene glycols. Critical reviews in toxicology, 43(4), 363-390.	3038211	This is a review article that contains citations to other literature sources, which EPA consulted.			
West, R., Banton, M., Hu, J., & Klapacz, J. (2014). The Distribution, Fate, and Effects of Propylene Glycol Substances in the Environment. Reviews of Environmental Contamination and Toxicology Volume 232. Springer, Cham, 2014. 107-138.	2537482	This is a review article that contains citations to other literature sources, which EPA consulted.			
EU REACH and ECHA datasets	NA	EPA reviewed and included information in Section 4: Relevant Assessment History.			
Environment Canada	NA	EPA reviewed and included information in Section 4: Relevant Assessment History.			
OECD SIDS Initial Assessment	NA	EPA reviewed and included information in Section 4: Relevant Assessment History.			
EPA's Safer Chemical Ingredients List	NA	EPA reviewed and included information in Section 4: Relevant Assessment History.			

⁴⁹ Docket number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2019-0131 includes the list of 20 chemical substances that are candidates for designation as Low-Priority Substances for risk evaluation (<u>https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/03/21/2019-05404/initiation-of-prioritization-under-the-toxic-substances-control-act-tsca</u>). Individual dockets were established for each of the 20 low-priority candidates. Docket number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2019-0122 addresses tripropylene glycol.