

Via CDX and Electronic Mail

March 17, 2020

Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (MC-7401M) Washington, DC 20460

Re: Addendum to the Request for Risk Evaluation under the Toxic Substances Control Act

Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4) CASRN: 556-67-2

EPA Case Number: MRRE-20-0001

Dear Sir or Madam:

This Addendum follows on the Manufacturer Request for Risk Evaluation of Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4) CASRN: 556-67-2 submitted by the Silicones Environmental, Health and Safety Center (SEHSC) on February 3, 2020 on behalf of Dow Silicones Corporation, Elkem Silicones USA Corporation, Evonik Corporation, Momentive Performance Materials, Shin-Etsu Silicones of American, Inc., and Wacker Chemical Corporation (collectively, D4 Manufacturers), EPA Case Number: MRRE-20-0001 (Request).

The purpose of this Addendum to the Request is to clarify/confirm the following:

1. Commitment to Provide Any Referenced Information Upon Request per 40 C.F.R. § 702.37(b)(5)

The D4 manufacturers, through SEHSC, hereby commit to provide EPA with any referenced information upon request.

2. Conditions of Use Rationale per 40 C.F.R. § 702.37(b)(3)

The Conditions of Use requested for evaluation are <u>summarized</u> on page 3 and 4 of the Request. And, Table 4.1 of the Draft Risk Evaluation for Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4) (Appendix 2 of the Request) shows the <u>specific</u> categories and subcategories of the Conditions of Use that comprise the circumstances requested for inclusion. Those correspond to activities/uses reported by industry for the 2016 TSCA CDR¹, the 2018 REACH D4 Chemical Safety Report², and in the *D4 and D5 Conceptual Site Models and Mass Balance Report*³. As such, they represent circumstances under which D4 is "intended, known, or reasonably foreseen to be manufactured, processed, distributed in commerce, used, or disposed of." Section 4.1 of Appendix 2 of the Request provides a further explanation of the basis for the specified Conditions of Use and references for the cited reports.

 $^{^{1} \} https://chemview.epa.gov/chemview?tf=0\&swt=0_556-67-2\&su=2-5-6-7-37574985\&as=3-10-9-8\&ac=1-15-16-6378999\&ma=4-11-1981377\&tds=0\&tdl=10\&tas1=1\&tas2=asc\&tas3=undefined\&tss=\&modal=template\&modalId=160187\&modalSrc=4\&modalDetailId=\&modalCdr=160187$

² Supporting reference for D4 MRRE submitted on February 3, 2020

³ Supporting reference for D4 MRRE submitted on February 3, 2020

The D4 manufacturers, through SEHSC, hereby certify that the information contained in this <u>Addendum</u> to the <u>Request</u> is complete and accurate as of March 17, 2020.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Karluss Thomas Sr. Director

cc: Dow Silicones Corporation

Elkem Silicones USA Corporation

Evonik Corporation

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