## **Annex XV report**

# PROPOSAL FOR IDENTIFICATION OF A SUBSTANCE OF VERY HIGH CONCERN ON THE BASIS OF THE CRITERIA SET OUT IN REACH ARTICLE 57

**Substance Name:** 6,6'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-methylenedi-*p*-cresol

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#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

AC: Article category

ATE: Acute toxicity estimate

DBMC: 6,6'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-methylenedi-*p*-cresol

ERC: Environmental release category

PC: Product category PROC: Process category

RAC: Risk Assessment Committee

RMOA: Regulatory Management Option Analysis

SU: Sector end use

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• The substance is proposed to be identified as a substance meeting the criteria of Article 57 (c) of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) owing to its classification in the hazard class toxic for reproduction category 1B<sup>1</sup>.

## Summary of how the substance meets the criteria set out in Article 57 of the REACH Regulation

6,6'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-methylenedi-*p*-cresol is covered by index number 604-095-00-5 of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 in Annex VI, part 3, Table 3 (the list of harmonised classification and labelling of hazardous substances) and it is classified in the hazard class toxic for reproduction category 1B (H360F May damage fertility).

Therefore, this classification of the substance in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 shows that it meets the criteria for classification in the hazard class:

Toxic for reproduction category 1B in accordance with Article 57 (c) of REACH.

Registration dossiers submitted for the substance: Yes

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Classification in accordance with section 3.7 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008.

#### **PART I**

## **Justification**

# 1. Identity of the substance and physical and chemical properties

#### 1.1 Name and other identifiers of the substance

**Table 1: Substance identity** 

| EC number:                                     | 204-327-1   |
|--|---|
| EC name:                                       | 6,6'-di- <i>tert</i> -butyl-2,2'-methylenedi- <i>p</i> -cresol  |
| CAS number:                                    | 119-47-1  |
| IUPAC name:                                    | 2,2'-methylenebis(4-methyl-6- <i>tert</i> -butylphenol) 2,2'-methylenebis(6- <i>tert</i> -butyl-4-methylphenol) 2,2'-methylenebis[6- <i>tert</i> -butyl- <i>p</i> -cresol] 2- <i>tert</i> -butyl-6-[(3- <i>tert</i> -butyl-2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)methyl]-4-methylphenol 6,6'-di- <i>tert</i> -butyl-2,2'-methylenedi- <i>p</i> -cresol |
| Index number in Annex VI of the CLP Regulation | 604-095-00-5  |
| Molecular formula:                             | C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>32</sub> O <sub>2</sub>  |
| Molecular weight range:                        | 340.50  |
| Synonyms:                                      | DBMC  2,2-methylen-bis-(4-methyl-6-tert.butylphenol) bis(2-hydroxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)methane bis(6-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-tert-butylphenyl)methane p-cresol, 2,2'-methylenebis(6-tert-butyl-)  2,2`-Methylene-bis(4-methyl-6-tertiary butyl phenol)   |

#### Structural formula<sup>2</sup>:

$$H_3C$$
 $CH_3$ 
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#### 1.2 Composition of the substance

**Name:** 6,6'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-methylenedi-*p*-cresol

**Description:** Solid white powder with a faint odour

**Substance type:** organic, mono-constituent substance

# 1.3 Identity and composition of degradation products/metabolites relevant for the SVHC assessment

Not relevant for the identification of the substance as SVHC in accordance with Article 57 (c) of the REACH Regulation.

# 1.4 Identity and composition of structurally related substances (used in a grouping or read-across approach)

Not relevant for the identification of the substance as SVHC in accordance with Article 57 (c) of the REACH Regulation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source: European Chemicals Agency: <a href="https://echa.europa.eu/da/registration-dossier/-/registered-dossier/13380">https://echa.europa.eu/da/registration-dossier/-/registered-dossier/13380</a> (accessed 06/2021)

#### 1.5 Physicochemical properties

Not relevant for the identification of the substance(s) as SVHC in accordance with Article 57 (c) of the REACH Regulation.

#### 2. Harmonised classification and labelling

6,6'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-methylenedi-*p*-cresol is covered by Index number 604-095-00-5 in part 3 of Annex VI to the CLP Regulation as follows:

Table 2: Classification according to Annex VI, Table 3 (list of harmonised classification and labelling of hazardous substances) of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

| Index<br>No          | Chemical<br>name  | EC No         |              | Classification                                    |                                    | Labelling                                   |                                | Spec.                                     | Notes |  |
|----------------------|---|---------------|--------------|---|------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|-------|--|
|                      |   |               |              | Hazard<br>Class<br>and<br>Categor<br>y<br>Code(s) | Hazard<br>stateme<br>nt<br>code(s) | Pictogr<br>am,<br>Signal<br>Word<br>Code(s) | Hazard<br>statement<br>code(s) | Suppl.<br>Hazard<br>statemen<br>t code(s) |       |  |
| 604-<br>095-<br>00-5 | 6,6'-di-<br>tert-butyl-<br>2,2'-<br>methylene<br>di-p-<br>cresol;<br>[DBMC] | 204-<br>327-1 | 119-<br>47-1 | Repr.<br>1B                                       | H360F                              | GHS0<br>8 Dgr                               | H360F                          |   |       |  |

### 3. Environmental fate properties

Not relevant for the identification of the substance as SVHC in accordance with Article 57 (c) of the REACH Regulation.

#### 4. Human health hazard assessment

Please see Chapter 2 (Harmonised classification and labelling). The RAC opinion on the proposed harmonised classification and labelling as Repr. 1B (H360F) was adopted on 13 June 2019 by consensus. The substance was added to Table 3, Annex VI of CLP via Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/849 of 11 March 2021 (EU, 2021).

#### 5. Environmental hazard assessment

Not relevant for the identification of the substance as SVHC in accordance with Article 57 (c) of the REACH Regulation.

#### 6. Conclusions on the SVHC Properties

#### **6.1 CMR assessment**

6,6'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-methylenedi-*p*-cresol is covered by index number 604-095-00-5 of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 in Annex VI, part 3, Table 3 (the list of harmonised classification and labelling of hazardous substances) and it is classified in the hazard class toxic for reproduction category 1B (H360F May damage fertility).

Therefore, this classification of the substance in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 shows that it meets the criteria for classification in the hazard class:

• toxic for reproduction category 1B in accordance with Article 57 (c) of REACH.

#### 6.2 PBT and vPvB assessment

Not relevant for the identification of the substance as SVHC in accordance with Article 57 (c) of the REACH Regulation.

#### **6.3 Assessment under Article 57(f)**

Not relevant for the identification of the substance as SVHC in accordance with Article 57 (c) of the REACH Regulation.

#### Part II

#### 7. Registration and C&L notification status

#### 7.1 Registration status

#### **Table 3 Registration status**

| From the ECHA dissemination site <sup>3</sup> |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Registrations                                 | <ul><li>☑ Full registration(s)         (Art. 10)</li><li>☑ Intermediate registration(s)</li><li>(Art. 17 and/or 18)</li></ul> |  |  |

#### 7.2 CLP notification status

#### **Table 4: CLP notifications**

|                                    | CLP Notifications <sup>4</sup> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Number of aggregated notifications | 29                             |
| Total number of notifiers          | 810                            |

### 8. Total tonnage of the substance

**Table 5: Tonnage status** 

Total tonnage band for the registered substance (excluding the volume registered under Art 17 or Art 18)<sup>5</sup>

1,000-10,000 tpa

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Source: European Chemicals Agency, <a href="https://echa.europa.eu/da/registration-dossier/-/registered-dossier/13380">https://echa.europa.eu/da/registration-dossier/-/registered-dossier/13380</a> (accessed 06/2021)

<sup>4</sup> Source: C&L Inventory database, http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/information-on-chemicals/cl-inventory-database (accessed 06/2021)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Source: European Chemicals Agency, <a href="https://echa.europa.eu/da/registration-dossier/-/registered-dossier/13380">https://echa.europa.eu/da/registration-dossier/-/registered-dossier/13380</a> (accessed 06/2021)

#### 9. Information on uses of the substance

The registered substance is used by consumers and professionals in adhesives and sealants, lubricants and greases, fuels, hydraulic fluids, polymers, metal working fluids and as a laboratory chemical. This substance is used for the manufacture of rubber (e.g. tyres, shoes, toys) and plastic products (e.g. food packaging and storage, toys, mobile phones). The registered uses and the contributing activities for DBMC are reported in the table below.

Table 6: Uses

|                          | Use(s)   | Contributing activities   | Use <u>likely</u> to<br>be in the<br>scope of<br>Authorisation |
|--------------------------|--|---|--|
| Manufacture              | Formulation in rubber and non-rubber polymers (PC32) Manufacturing                         | ERC1<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9  | Yes  |
|                          | Manufacturing of DBMC  | ERC1<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC8b, PROC9  |  |
|                          | Formulation in rubber and non-rubber polymers (PC32)                                       | ERC3 PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9 PC32   | Yes  |
|                          | Formulation and industrial uses in PC15, 24 and 25   | ERC2<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC5, PROC7, PROC8a, PROC8b,<br>PROC9, PROC10, PROC13<br>PC17, PC24, PC25 |  |
| Formulation or repacking | Formulation of liquid lubricant mixtures   | ERC2<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9<br>PC17, PC24, PC25                           |  |
|                          | Formulation (production of premixes for further formulation in various product categories) | ERC2<br>PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5,<br>PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9<br>PC1, PC13, PC17, PC24, PC25, PC32                 |  |
|                          | Formulation of liquid rubber mixtures for tyre production                                  | ERC2<br>PROC3, PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b,<br>PROC21<br>PC32   |  |
|                          | Formulation in PC13  | ERC2<br>PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5,<br>PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9<br>PC13  |  |

| Formulation in PC1   | ERC3 PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9 PC1  |  |
|--|---|--|
| Formulation of solid mixtures for rubber (non-tyre) and non-rubber plastic materials | ERC3 PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9, PROC14, PROC21 PC32                    |  |
| Formulation of solid mixtures for tyre production                                    | ERC3<br>PROC3, PROC5, PROC8b, PROC21<br>PC32  |  |
| Formulation of liquid mixtures like adhesives, inks.                                 | ERC2<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9<br>PC1, PC18                      |  |
| Formulation into solid materials   | ERC3 PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9, PROC14, PROC21 PC1, PC24               |  |
| Formulation in PC1   | ERC3<br>PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5,<br>PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9<br>PC1                                   |  |
| Formulation and industrial uses in in PC 17, 24 and 25                               | ERC2 PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5, PROC7, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9, PROC10, PROC13 PC17, PC24, PC25 |  |
| Formulation of liquid rubber (non-tyre) and non-rubber plastic mixtures              | ERC2<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b<br>PC32                                  |  |
| Liquid formulation in Fuels  | ERC2<br>PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5,<br>PROC8a, PROC8b<br>PC13   |  |
| Formulation in PC13  | ERC2<br>PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5,<br>PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9<br>PC13                                  |  |

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|                                    | Industrial use in adhesives and inks                                       | ERC5 PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5, PROC7, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9, PROC10, PROC13, PROC15 PC1 SU0                            | Yes |
|------------------------------------|--|---|-----|
|                                    | Industrial use in lubricants and similar products                          | ERC4, ERC7<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC5, PROC7, PROC8a, PROC8b,<br>PROC9, PROC10, PROC13, PROC15<br>PC17, PC24, PC25 |     |
| Uses at                            | Use as laboratory chemical (PC21)  | ERC0<br>PROC15<br>PC21<br>SU0, SU3, SU22  |     |
| industrial<br>sites                | Industrial use in fuels  | ERC4 PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9, PROC15 PC13  |     |
|                                    | Industrial use for tyre production   | ERC5<br>PROC14, PROC21<br>SU11, SU12  |     |
|                                    | Use as laboratory chemical (PC21)  | ERC0<br>PROC15, PROC21  |     |
|                                    | Industrial use for production of rubber (non-tyre) and non-rubber polymers | ERC5 PROC2, PROC3, PROC5, PROC8b, PROC9, PROC10, PROC13, PROC14, PROC15, PROC21 PC32 SU11, SU12                                 |     |
|                                    | Professional use in rubber and non-rubber polymers                         | ERC8f PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC14, PROC15, PROC21 PC32 SU11, SU12  | Yes |
| Uses by<br>professional<br>workers | Professional use in adhesives and inks                                     | ERC8f PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4, PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9, PROC10, PROC13, PROC15 PC1                                      |     |
|                                    | Professional use in lubricants and similar products                        | ERC8a, ERC8d<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9,<br>PROC10, PROC13, PROC15<br>PC17, PC24, PC25      |     |

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|                         | Professional use in fuels  | ERC8d<br>PROC5, PROC8a, PROC8b, PROC9,<br>PROC15<br>PC13  |     |
|-------------------------|--|---|-----|
|                         | Professional use in PC17,<br>PC24 and PC25   | ERC8a, ERC8d, ERC9a, ERC9b<br>PROC1, PROC2, PROC3, PROC4,<br>PROC5, PROC7, PROC8a, PROC8b,<br>PROC9, PROC10, PROC13<br>PC17, PC24, PC25 |     |
|                         | Consumer use in fuels  | ERC8a, ERC8d,<br>PC13   | Yes |
| Consumer uses           | Consumer use in lubricants and similar products containing the substance                       | ERC8a, ERC8d, ERC9a, ERC9b<br>PC24  |     |
|                         | Consumer use in adhesives containing the substance   | ERC8f<br>PC1  |     |
|                         | Consumer use in PC17, PC24 and PC25  | ERC8a, ERC8d, ERC9a, ERC9b<br>PC17, PC24, PC25  |     |
|                         | Service life of tyres at industrial sites  | AC10<br>ERC12c<br>PROC21,   | Yes |
|                         | Service life of tyres at professional sites  | AC10<br>ERC11a<br>PROC 21   |     |
|                         | Service life of rubber (non-<br>tyre) and non-rubber plastic<br>articles at professional sites | AC 10, AC 13<br>ERC10a, ERC11a<br>PROC 21   |     |
| Article<br>service life | Service life of rubber (non-<br>tyre) and non-rubber plastic<br>articles at industrial sites   | AC 10, AC 13<br>ERC12c<br>PROC 21   |     |
|                         | Formulation in rubber and non-rubber polymers  | AC 10, AC 13<br>ERC3  |     |
|                         | Service life of rubber (non-<br>tyre) and non-rubber plastic<br>articles for consumers         | AC10g, AC13, AC13d<br>ERC10a, ERC11a  |     |
|                         | Service life of tyres for the general population   | AC10, AC10g ERC10a  |     |

ERC 0: Other: not relevant, since only a small amount is used; ERC2: Formulation into mixture; ERC3: Formulation into solid matrix; ERC4: Use of non-reactive processing aid at industrial site (no inclusion into or onto article); ERC5: Use at industrial site leading to inclusion into/onto article; ERC7: Use of functional fluid at industrial site; ERC8a: Widespread use of non-reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, indoor); ERC8d: Widespread use of non-reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, outdoor); ERC8f: Widespread use leading to inclusion into/onto article (outdoor); ERC9a: Widespread use of functional fluid (indoor); ERC9b: Widespread use of articles with low

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release (outdoor); ERC11a: Widespread use of articles with low release (indoor); ERC12c: Use of articles at industrial sites with low release;

PROC 1: Chemical production or refinery in closed process without likelihood of exposure or processes with equivalent containment conditions; PROC 2: Chemical production or refinery in closed continuous process with occasional controlled exposure or processes with equivalent containment conditions; PROC 3: Manufacture or formulation in the chemical industry in closed batch processes with occasional controlled exposure or processes with equivalent containment conditions; PROC 4: Chemical production where opportunity for exposure arises; PROC 5: Mixing or blending in batch processes; PROC 7: Industrial spraying PROC 8a: Transfer of substance or mixture (charging and discharging) at non-dedicated facilities; PROC 8b: Transfer of substance or mixture (charging and discharging) at dedicated facilities; PROC 9: Transfer of substance or mixture into small containers (dedicated filling line, including weighing); PROC 10: Roller application or brushing; PROC 13: Treatment of articles by dipping and pouring; PROC 14: Tabletting, compression, extrusion, pelletisation, granulation; PROC 15: Use as laboratory reagent; PROC 21: Low energy manipulation of substances bound in materials and/or articles; PROC 21: Low energy manipulation of substances bound in materials and/or articles

AC: AC10: Rubber articles; AC10g: Other rubber articles; AC 13: Plastic articles; AC13d: Plastic articles: Articles intended for food contact

PC: PC 1: Adhesives, sealants PC 13: Fuels; PC15: Non-metal-surface treatment products; PC 17: Hydraulic fluids Fuels; PC 18: Ink and toners; PC 24: Lubricants, greases, release products; PC 25: Metal working fluids; PC 32: Polymer preparations and compounds

SU 0: Other: Uses of substances as such or in preparations at industrial sites; SU 11: Manufacture of rubber products; SU 12: Manufacture of plastics products, including compounding and conversion, SU3, SU22 Industrial/Professional uses: Public domain

#### 10. Information on structure of the supply chain

There are three active registrants for DBMC. Information on the structure of the supply chain has not been assessed.

#### 11. Additional information

# 11.1 Substances with similar hazard and use profiles on the Candidate List

There are no similar substances on the Candidate List.

#### 11.2 Alternatives

The availability of alternatives has not been assessed.

#### 11.3 Existing EU legislation

In addition to the classification of DBMC in the CLP Regulation (EU, 2021; EU, 2008), DBMC is regulated in the EU legislation: Commission Regulation on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food (EU No 10/2011), which sets out safety requirements for plastic materials and restriction conditions for some substances on the positive list. DBMC is on the positive list with a SML(T) (total specific migration limit) of 1.5 mg/kg food. SML(T) is the maximum permitted sum of particular substances that can migrate from a food packaging material or food container into food or food simulants

expressed as total of moiety of the substances indicated. It is a safety limit derived from toxicological studies. The SML(T) for DBMC refers to the sum of DBMC and 2,2'-methylene bis(4-ethyl-6-tert-butylphenol), CAS No. 88-24-4), and may lead to a reduced exposure via food.

# 11.4 Previous assessments by other authorities/ongoing regulatory activities

A Regulatory Management Option Analysis (RMOA) on the substance was prepared by Denmark in June 2021 concluding that identification of DBMC as a SVHC would be appropriate as the substance fulfils the criteria of REACH Article 57 (c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Source: European Chemicals Agency, <a href="https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/38e8164d-0337-856d-dd47-145d19a7a67c">https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/38e8164d-0337-856d-dd47-145d19a7a67c</a> (accessed 06/2021)

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