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*By email only*

**Subject: Reply to your application for access documents**

**Reference: ATD/63/2018**

Dear Mr Gaul,

Thank you for your application of 27 July 2018 registered on 30 July 2018 seeking access to documents. Your application falls under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 (the "ATD Regulation") which governs access to documents held by the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).

Your request concerns the following three lists:

- 1) List of Companies/Substances "Pre-registration REACH"
- 2) List Company/Substances "Late pre-registration REACH" registered
- 3) List of companies/substances "REACH registered"

In your application, you specify the format of the requested documents ("in machine-readable form (e.g. CSV, XLS, XLSX)" as well as the structure of the list columns ("Company, Address, Postcode, City, Country, Substance, CAS No., EINECS No., Reach Registration Number").

On 30 July 2018, ECHA provided you with some information about your request. For the lists 1) and 3), it provided you with the links to publicly available lists (pre-registered substances and lead registrant lists) and some hints on how to download the documents in format XLS, CSV or XML. As regards the list 2), ECHA informed you that investigation was ongoing as to the existence of this document.

In your reply on the same day, you explained that some requested information was missing (in particular the company names and registration numbers) from the publicly available lists and that the format was wrong. You stressed the need to receive one information-type per column and each of the three lists in 24 EU languages.

### **Decision**

I regret to inform you that a document containing the requested information and in the requested format does not exist. The publicly available lists, as provided on 30 July 2018, are the existing documents which best match your request for list 1) and 3).

As regards list 2), I regret to inform you that this document does not exist.

According to Article 2(3) of the ATD Regulation, ECHA can only provide access to documents that are in the possession of the institution and hence we are not in a position to meet your request.

**Appeal/legal redress**

You are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting ECHA to review this position by writing to the Executive Director of ECHA (P.O Box 400, 00121 Helsinki, Finland or [executive-director@echa.europa.eu](mailto:executive-director@echa.europa.eu)). This needs to be done within 15 working days of receiving this letter.

The Executive Director will inform you of the result of the review within 15 working days from the registration of your subsequent request.

Yours sincerely,



Christel Schilliger-Musset  
Director of Registration