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Meeting with representatives of the BPA consortium

23 July 2013- 14-15.30 PM

Participation

- Industry representatives: (SABIC), (Bayer Material Sciences),
(reach Centrum), (Momentum)
- COM representatives: DG ENTR F.1:

Discussion

- The aim of this meeting was to provide COM representatives with an update on the REACH substance evaluation process for BPA, as the draft decision was sent to the consortium in April 2013 and answered delivered one month later by industry, in May 2013.

- Industry indicated that they had received the full draft decision but without the full evaluation report, making the decision difficult to understand as the rationale was missing. The rapporteur MS (DE) was contacted but refused to share the report. Industry indicated that it had been a challenge to prepare answers to the long list of very specific questions raised in the absence of any justification. Industry also indicated that the requests had been found disproportionate.

- Industry also highlighted that some DE UBA representatives did not respect confidentiality rules by using social medias and disseminating incorrect information.

- COM reminded of the specific situation of BPA under REACH, with the transitional dossier prepared by UK. COM indicated that this is not a legal requirement to share the draft or the final evaluation report with the registrants. It also indicated it would ask ECHA to clarify the reasoning when making such requests to industry. COM also encouraged industry representatives to liaise with MS representatives. It also added that discussion would in any case take place in the MSC.