



Consumer Products

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## ECHA agreed to identify DBDPE as a SVHC

Helsinki, 9 October 2025 - In its October meeting, the Member State Committee (MSC) **agreed to identify 1,1'-(ethane-1,2-diyl) bis[pentabromobenzene] (DBDPE) (EC 284-366-9, CAS 84852-53-9) as a substance of very high concern, SVHC**, because of its very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) properties. ECHA plans to add the substance to the Candidate List in November.

Besides the regular obligations following the listing on the Candidate List, the identification of DBDPE as an SVHC will support the potential restriction work on brominated flame retardants. This SVHC identification is also aligned with the deadline for a possible transfer of the substance to the list of harmonised entries under the CLP Regulation.

The MSC also agreed in written procedure on two substance evaluation cases and one dossier evaluation case.

Original link: <https://echa.europa.eu/-/highlights-from-echa-s-member-state-committee-october-meeting>

### Background:

1'-(Ethane-1,2-dimethyl) bis-pentabromobenzene (DBDPE) (EC 284-366-9, CAS 84852-53-9)

This substance is mainly used as a flame retardant in the following products: adhesives and sealants, coating products, fillers, putties, plasters, modelling clay, inks and toners, leather treatment products, lubricants and greases, polishes and waxes, polymers, washing & cleaning products and cosmetics and personal care products.

Due to its very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) properties under Article 57e, Sweden proposed listing it as a Substance of intention on April 23, 2025. The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) published this SVHC Substance of intention on June 2, 2025, followed by a public consultation from June 27 to August 11, 2025. In October 2025, the Member States Committee (MSC) agreed to identify it as a Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC).

### HCT SOLUTION:

HCT reminds customers to continue to pay attention to the latest developments in domestic and international environmental regulations, actively evaluate and adjust the relevant substances in their products, and ensure that products comply with the laws and regulations of the destination country and international standards during design, production, and export. HCT has a wide range of testing areas and convenient service channels to help companies evaluate restricted chemical substances in their products and ensure that your products meet the corresponding national or international requirements.

