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The Boron Consortium - the REACH consortium for BORON An initiative of the European steel industry

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SIEF Facilitation

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Attention: pre-registrants for Boron [Einecs number 231-151-2, CAS number 7440-42-8]:

The REACH Boron Consortium has been established through an initiative of the European steel industry for which boron is an important alloying element in steel production. The initial priority of the consortium has been the CLP notification in which respect a group notification was submitted to ECHA on November 30th 2010. This "no classification" notification was based on a data gap analysis carried out by Harlan Laboratories, the conclusion for all end points being either "data lacking" or ""conclusive, but not sufficient for classification."

It is the intention of the consortium to prepare a REACH registration dossier in time for the registration deadline of May 30th 2013 [for substances with quantities in the range 100-1,000 tonnes] and we are currently preparing our strategy for this.

We hope that others who intend to register boron will join our consortium - the wider the membership, the greater the available expertise and information and, of course, the lower the cost per member. We are developing our website at www.boron-consortium.org and will advise you once content has been uploaded to it.

The Next Step: on-line survey

In order to initiate the pre-SIEF process and establish the sameness criteria for boron, we have created an on-line survey - please take the time to complete this as soon as possible. To access the survey, please click on this link:

[Initial Boron Survey](#)

The closing date for this survey is January 31st 2011.

Thanks in advance for your co-operation and participation. Please contact us if you have questions or need further information.

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REACH registration for specified BORON substances

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