



**Rotterdam Convention on the Prior  
Informed Consent Procedure for  
Certain Hazardous Chemicals and  
Pesticides in International Trade**

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preliminary review of notifications of final  
regulatory action**

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Chemical Review Committee**

**Note by the Secretariat**

The annex to the present note sets out information submitted by two parties and an observer organization regarding trade in chemicals under consideration by the Chemical Review Committee at its tenth meeting. The present note, including its annex, has not been formally edited.

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\* UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.10/1.

## Annex

# Information on trade in chemicals under consideration by the Chemical Review Committee

## European Union



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
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### Information from the European Union on international trade in chemicals

Dear Ms. Stendahl,

In reply to your request for submission of information on use and trade of chemicals that will be discussed at the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Chemical Review Committee, we would like to provide you with the following information.

Table 1: Number of European Union export notifications

Chemical	2012	2013	2014*
Tributyltin compounds	22	29	53

Table 2: Number of importing countries that received or are expected to receive EU exports

Chemical	2012	2013	2014*
Tributyltin compounds	8	11	17

\* Data for 2014 in tables 1 and 2 reflect the status as of August 2014 and are only preliminary since additional notifications could be submitted.

Yours sincerely,

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## Trinidad and Tobago



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**September 9, 2014**

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Dear Dr. Payet,

**Re: Information on industrial chemicals under consideration by the Chemical Review Committee**

Reference is made to your PIC Circular XXXIX of the Rotterdam Convention, dated June 12, 2014.

In fulfilment of the overall objective of the Rotterdam Convention to promote shared responsibility and cooperative efforts to protect human health and the environment against the effects of hazardous chemicals, member parties were invited to submit information on the ongoing trade and use of the following industrial chemicals to be considered by the Chemical Review Committee (CRC) at its tenth meeting from 20 to 24 October, 2014 in Rome:

- i. Polychlorinated naphthalenes;
- ii. Short-chain chlorinated paraffins;
- iii. Tributyltins;
- iv. Methamidophos; and
- v. Fenthion

In this regard, I am to advise that the industrial chemicals: polychlorinated naphthalenes; short-chain chlorinated paraffins; and tributyltins (TBT) are not manufactured or imported for use in Trinidad and Tobago. Furthermore, with reference to TBT, the Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals Inspectorate of the Ministry of Health has been very vigilant in reviewing the import and sale of


anti-fouling paints for the presence of TBT as the active ingredient, for use by the boating and shipping industry. Thus far, there have not been any imports of any such paints.

In addition, please note that currently, methamidophos is registered for use as an agricultural insecticide in Trinidad and Tobago in formulations under 600g/l as is required by the Rotterdam Convention. There have also been no imports of methamidophos for the past three years, owing to the availability of safer alternatives.

In terms of fenthion, this chemical is also registered for use in the country, however, it is not registered as an ultra-low volume formulation. The two-products currently registered are below 500g active ingredient/ litre however, these formulations are no longer imported into Trinidad and Tobago as their manufacturer has ceased production of fenthion.

Please be guided accordingly.

Sincerely,

  
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Re: Ongoing trade of substances subject to review by CRC10

Dear Madam/Sir

On behalf of CropLife International I provide a response to the Secretariat's query as to whether there is continuing international trade of the subject chemicals as communicated in your mail of 8 July 2014.

All substances were notified under industrial use category. I'm therefore not in a position to confirm that there is international trade for those chemicals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dieterle".

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