

Information on REACH Consortia

Tungsten

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General Information	
Name of commodity	Tungsten
Name of consortium/consortia	Tungsten Consortium
Official launched on (date)	2007
Scope (e.g. substances)	Ammonium Metatungstate, Ammonium Paratungstate, Fused Tungsten Carbide, Sodium Tungstate, Tungsten Blue Oxide, Tungsten Carbide, <i>Tungsten Disulphide (added in 2015)</i> , Tungsten Metal, Tungsten Trioxide, Tungstic Acid and Ferro-Tungsten* (*Note: a mixture of Iron and tungsten)
Number of members + comment if appropriate	40 companies and 10 designated Chinese companies under the umbrella of CCCMC (China Chamber of Commerce of Metals, Minerals & Chemicals Importers & Exporters)
Minimum fee for consortium	US\$45,000
Brief description of membership profile (e.g. manufacturers, ORs, companies per legal entity etc.)	Membership includes manufacturers and importers and their affiliates and legal entities in the EU; Only Representatives (ORs) for manufacturers outside the EU

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Status and Comments	
Major review of agreement and structure (if relevant)	Major amendments to the agreement are: (1) In September 2008 accepting the requests from major industry players in China to have CCCMC to join the Consortium and representing designated Chinese companies. (2) In June 2009, a late joining period extended from December 2008 to 28 February 2009. Late joining premium decreased from 50% to 10% of the membership levy (3) Made to the Consortium Agreement in August 2014 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• that it is no longer a requirement to hold annual meetings of the Consortium Committee• that administrative matters such as approval of the budget and financial statements will be conducted by email• that a provision be included to enable meetings to be convened when necessary
“OR” and “importers” in consortium/a	Yes

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<p>Technical work</p>	<p>All technical work (lab tests and compiling relevant data, developing of Chemical Safety Assessment/Chemical Safety Report, exposure assessment, exposure estimates, and generic exposure scenarios) for the Lead registrants' dossiers on the 9 substances and one mixture of ferro-tungsten, except tungsten disulphide* have been completed. Except tungsten disulphide, all Lead Registrants of the Consortium submitted their Registration Dossiers successfully to ECHA. [<i>*Note: Lead Registrant of tungsten disulphide plans to submit the registration dossier to ECHA before 1 July 2017</i>]</p> <p>Technical Secretariat and a Technical Committee remain in place to assist members (Consortium and SIEFs) on any needed updates to the dossiers which will be reviewed and conducted annually. Maintenance Technical Work also includes:</p> <p>to monitor if any new knowledge of risks of the substance to human health and/or the environment (ie tonnage, PROC codes, RMM. These may trigger changes to information provided in the safety data sheet or chemical safety report); any change in the classification and labelling;</p> <p>to amend or update chemical safety report / guidance on safe use (which may be triggered by increase of production and/or import) and if required, any new developments on EU regulation which might affect registration (ie OEL developments)</p> <p>to monitor and receive requests on any change in DNELs/PNECs</p> <p>to monitor and receive requests if any substances needed to perform a new test (testing proposal)</p> <p>any errors found in the registrations</p> <p>to keep up registrations submission with the latest IUCLID version</p> <p>Details and schedule of Dossier Update can be found - http://www.sief.tungstenconsortium.com/index.php?id=57</p>
<p>Pre-existence of RA</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Collection of data from DU</p>	<p>Regular communication with all SIEF members and downstream users by email.</p> <p>Collecting data from downstream users direct and via members.</p> <p>Two websites dedicated for REACH purposes – www.tungstenconsortium.com and www.sief.tungstenconsortium.com</p>
<p>Pre-registration</p>	<p>All nine phase-in tungsten substances were pre-registered</p>
<p>SIEF</p>	<p>See details of our SIEFs on www.sief.tungstenconsortium.com. Each substance has its own SIEF webpage and all correspondence/circulars can be found on the webpage. Provided all SIEF members with each SIEF's login details.</p>





Has one of your members ticked the “SIEF facilitator” box?	Yes, members of our Consortium were proposed and elected by the Pre-SIEFs to become the SIEF facilitator and Lead Registrant. They have ticked the SIEF facilitator box for their individual substance.
Proposed lead registrant	
Contacts with other consortia for exchange of data	Occasionally contacted Cobalt, Iron, Nickel and Molybdenum Consortia
Upcoming meetings	<p>The Steering Committee meets twice a year in conjunction with ITIA meetings. Next meeting will be April 2017.</p> <p>The Technical Committee meets twice a year with regular conference calls. Next meeting April 2017.</p> <p>The Consortium Committee (ie all members) no longer required to meet once a year. Administrative matters such as approval of the budget and financial statements will be conducted by email.</p>
Other comments (if relevant)	Non-Consortium members can access technical data for registration purposes by purchasing Letters of Access. Details of LoA can be found - http://www.sief.tungstenconsortium.com/index.php?id=49

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