

Information on REACH Consortia

Tungsten

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| General Information | |
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| 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 |



| Status and Comments | |
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| Major review of agreement and structure (if relevant) | <p>Major amendments made to the agreement are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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 (4) In January 2020, amendment made to the Consortium Agreement to allow Former Affiliates to pursue their individual Consortium Membership: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • that Former Affiliates are not liable to pay a delay premium (10%) • that Former Affiliates pay the Pro Rata Share to be deducted from the amount paid for the Former Affiliate by the Individual Member when the Former Affiliate was the Affiliate of that Individual Member. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ where the amount paid by the Individual Member for the Former Affiliate below the minimum Pro Rata Share (i.e. US\$45,000), the Former Affiliate will be liable to pay the outstanding amount ○ where the amount paid by the Individual Member for the Former Affiliate exceeds the minimum Pro Rata Share (i.e. US\$45,000), the Former Affiliate will not be liable to pay any sum ○ |
| “OR” and “importers” in consortium/a | Yes |



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| Technical work | <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 10 substances and one mixture of ferro-tungsten have been completed. All Lead Registrants of the Consortium submitted their Registration Dossiers successfully to ECHA.</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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to provide information and prepare update dossiers when required by ECHA 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 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) to monitor and receive requests on any change in DNELs/PNECs to monitor and receive requests if any substances needed to perform a new test (testing proposal) any errors found in the registrations to keep up registration submission with the latest IUCLID version |
| Pre-existence of RA | No |
| Collection of data from DU | <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 are: https://www.tungstenconsortium.com & https://www.sief.tungstenconsortium.com</p> |
| Pre-registration | All ten phase-in tungsten substances were pre-registered |
| SIEF Has one of your members ticked the "SIEF facilitator" box? Proposed lead registrant | <p>See details of our SIEFs on https://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> <p>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.</p> |
| Contacts with other consortia for exchange of data | Occasionally contacted Cobalt, Iron, Nickel and Molybdenum Consortia |



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| <p>Upcoming meetings</p> | <p>The Steering and Technical Committee meets twice a year in conjunction with ITIA meetings (normally in April and September).</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> |
| <p>Other comments (if relevant)</p> | <p>Non-Consortium members can access technical data for registration purposes by purchasing Letters of Access. Details of LoA can be found - https://sief.tungstenconsortium.com/loa.html</p> |

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