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Re: Auxiliary Chemicals Ireland Ltd. T/A PT Technologies Ireland, Meenane, Watergrasshill, Co. Cork.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposed impacts which have potential public health and environmental implications have been assessed and examined in the context of the application.

This Department has no adverse comments on this application once the proposed control and monitoring measures as outlined in the application are put in place and implemented in full.

Please see attached comments from the Emergency Management Office.

If you require further information or clarification on any matter referred to above, please contact me by phone – 022 44935, letter – Environmental Health Dept., St. Joseph's Road, Mallow, Co. Cork or E-mail – Caroline.Ludlow@hse.ie.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I have looked at this submission and in particular section B.10 of the application in relation to the Seveso II and I am not sure that their interpretation of chemicals that are or are not covered by EU directive is correct. For example 'Terpenes' are the main reason why companies like Coca Cola come under Seveso II yet they show the Seveso Category as N/A. Terpenes have Risk phrases such as R43, R51/53, R65. Orange Terpene is CAS Number 8028-46-6. I wonder could we query that classification.

Emergency Management have no objection to the licence as the quantities proposed to be stored in this case are significantly below the Seveso Thresholds. That being said however, storage of any organic solvent does have an impact on the HSE response to an acute incident at such plants.

Is there any way we can influence matters such that Auxiliary Chemicals Ireland Ltd T/A PT Technologies Europe could be 'encouraged' to hold the MSDS sheets for the chemicals listed in section B 10 at their factory reception and maintain them up to date and be easily available.

MSDS sheets include the line 'Seek medical attention'. That comes from Ambulance and ED and only come if they have solid info to start with.

It is possible that the EPA licence can include a recommendation or even a condition to that effect?

Regards,
Peter Daly
Chief Emergency Management Officer - HSE South