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## Proposed EU Restrictions on Bisphenol under REACH Annex XVII

On 21 December 2022, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) launched the public consultation<sup>1</sup> on the proposal<sup>2</sup> to restrict Bisphenol A (BPA) and other Bisphenols of similar concern for the environment under REACH Annex XVII. Within this, BPA and Bisphenol B (BPB) are specifically identified as substances of very high concern (SVHCs) with endocrine disrupting properties. The intention of these restrictions is to minimise the emissions of Bisphenols with endocrine disrupting properties to the environment.

Following a review of our supply chain, we concluded that products supplied by AESSEAL either do not contain Bisphenols or are exempt under the proposed exemptions to the REACH restrictions as such mixtures and articles where the listed Bisphenols are either covalently bound to any type of matrix (e.g. via functioning as a cross-linker) or are used as intermediates in the manufacture of polymers with defined migration limits.

For and on behalf of AES Engineering Ltd and the AESSEAL Group of Companies,

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[1] Public consultation summary

[2] Report submitted for the restriction proposal







