REACH: Explanatory note to the Use information for Industrial manufacture of Polymer Dispersions.

In line with the approach of other European industry associations EPDLA has developed a mapping of uses for the production of polymer dispersions. The ECHA use descriptor system (which can be found in the Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment Chapter R.12: Use descriptor system) was used.

This table might be subject to possible amendment:
“Generic Exposure Scenario for the industrial manufacture of polymer dispersions”

The EPDLA group strongly encourages suppliers to the relevant polymer dispersions industry to include this use information in the exposure scenarios of their raw materials and include these intended uses in the chemical safety report (CSR) and the substance registration dossier. The use information deals with the sector of use, process category and environmental release category.

Because of the generic nature of the mapping of uses the following remark should be made about the applicability of this mapping: for substances of which the life cycle ends at the polymerization step, the mapping of uses is valid up until the stripping/distillation step.

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