

To whom it may concern

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## Statement - Proposed restriction of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs)

Apply for: Dustex® products

### Background

A restriction proposal on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of PFASs was made available on ECHA's webpage<sup>1</sup> on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.

### Further regulatory process

Before the restriction finally can be adopted and enforced in Europe, the proposal will be subject to open consultations, evaluations by ECHA committees (RAC and SEAC) and discussions in the Forum of enforcement authorities from the Member States. The input from these separate processes will then contribute to the decision of the European Commission before the final decision is taken in a comitology procedure involving the Member States and the European Parliament.

It is hence too early to predict the final wording of the restriction and the impact of the supply chain.

### Borregaard impact

It is hereby confirmed that PFASs are not manufactured by Borregaard or used as ingredients in products manufactured by Borregaard, including the Dustex® portfolio. According to our general knowledge it is unlikely that such substances are formed during production or contained at significant levels in the raw materials or processing aids used in our manufacturing processes.

We will nevertheless continue to monitor the regulatory process and continuously evaluate any possible impact on our business resulting from the future restriction.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://echa.europa.eu/>