

Summary Report of the Cristobalite Pre-SIEF Meeting

Friday 30 January 2009, 1000 Brussels

1. Identity of the substances: sameness discussion

The participants agreed that the substance discussed in this pre-SIEF meeting is:

Reference in EChA guidance document for identification and naming of substances under REACH (June 2007)	Substance of well defined chemical composition and other main identifiers – mono constituent substance.
Name	Cristobalite
EC number	238-455-4
EC description	Not available
CAS number	14464-46-1
Constituent	Cristobalite
Chemical formula	SiO ₂
Crystal structure	cubic symmetry
Purity	>80%
Impurities	Non exhaustive list: RCS, quartz, feldspar.

2. Industry's declaration on registration duty for cristobalite

The participants agreed on the following common industry position regarding the registration duty for cristobalite:

Cristobalite (as defined in 2.2.) manufactured through a thermal treatment of a natural SiO₂ mineral, for which none of the constituents of the final isolated substance has undergone a chemical reaction, fulfils the condition of the exemption granted to minerals which occur in nature, if not chemically modified (Article 2, paragraph 7b and Annex V.7 of the Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 + EC Guidance on Annexes IV & V).

Therefore, cristobalite meeting the above conditions shall not be registered under REACH and there is no need to form a SIEF.