

Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2012 concerning the making available on the market and use of biocidal products (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER XVI

THE AGENCY

Article 75

Biocidal Products Committee

1 A Biocidal Products Committee is hereby established within the Agency.

The Biocidal Products Committee shall be responsible for preparing the opinion of the Agency on the following issues:

- a applications for approval and renewal of approval of active substances;
- b review of approval of active substances;
- c applications for inclusion in Annex I of active substances meeting the conditions laid down in Article 28 and review of the inclusion of such active substances in Annex I;
- d identification of active substances which are candidates for substitution;
- e applications for Union authorisation of biocidal products and for renewal, cancellation and amendments of Union authorisations, except where the applications are for administrative changes;
- f scientific and technical matters concerning mutual recognition in accordance with Article 38;
- g at the request of the Commission or of Member States' competent authorities, any other questions that arise from the operation of this Regulation relating to technical guidance or risks to human health, animal health or the environment.

2 Each Member State shall be entitled to appoint a member of the Biocidal Products Committee. Member States may also appoint an alternate member.

In order to facilitate its work, the Committee may, by a decision of the Management Board of the Agency in agreement with the Commission, be divided into two or more parallel committees. Each parallel committee shall be responsible for the tasks of the Biocidal Products Committee assigned to it. Each Member State shall be entitled to appoint one Member for each of the parallel committees. The same person may be appointed to more than one parallel committee.

3 Committee members shall be appointed on the basis of their experience relevant to performing the tasks specified in paragraph 1 and may work within a competent authority. They shall be supported by the scientific and technical resources available to Member States. To this end, Member States shall provide adequate scientific and technical resources to Committee members that they have nominated.

4 Article 85, paragraphs 4, 5, 8 and 9, and Articles 87 and 88 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Biocidal Products Committee.