CAS No.: 5989-27-5 Substance: (R)-4-Isopropenyl-1-methylcyclohexa-1-ene

Chemical Substances Control Law Reference No.: 3-2245 (Limonene), 7-988 (Dipentene), 8-498 (dl-Limonene)

PRTR Law Cabinet Order No.:

Molecular Formula: C₁₀H₁₆

Molecular Weight: 136.23 Structural Formula:

1.General information

The aqueous solubility of this substance is 20 mg/1,000 g (25°C), the partition coefficient (1-octanol/water) ($\log K_{ow}$) is 4.38, and the vapor pressure is 2.08 mmHg (=277 Pa) (25°C). The biodegradability (aerobic degradation) is characterized by a BOD degradation rate of 73% and biodegradability is judged to be good. In addition, this substance does not possess any hydrolyzable groups and hydrolysis does not occur under ambient environmental conditions.

The main use of this substance is as a food additive (flavoring agent). It is also used as an herbicide (on trees etc. and on management of housing estates, parks, parking lots, sports grounds, etc.) in the form of 10% and 70% emulsions. The production and import quantity of in fiscal 2015 was 582 t. In agricultural chemical year 2018 (October to September), 1.18 kL of agricultural chemical was shipped.

2. Exposure assessment

Because this substance is not classified as a Class 1 Designated Chemical Substance under the PRTR Law, release and transfer quantities could not be obtained. Predictions of proportions distributed to individual media by use of a Mackay-type level III fugacity model indicate that if equal quantities were released to the atmosphere, water bodies, and soil, the proportion distributed to soil would be largest.

The predicted environmental concentration (PEC), which indicates exposure to aquatic organisms, was reported to be around $0.16 \,\mu\text{g/L}$ for public freshwater bodies and around $0.0054 \,\mu\text{g/L}$ for seawater.

3.Initial assessment of ecological risk

With regard to acute toxicity, the following reliable data were obtained: a 72-h EC₅₀ of 150 μ g/L for growth inhibition in the alga *Raphidocelis subcapitata*, a 48-h EC₅₀ of 307 μ g/L for swimming inhibition in the crustacean *Daphnia magna*, and a 96-h LC₅₀ of 702 μ g/L for the fish species *Pimephales promelas* (fathead minnow). Accordingly, based on these acute toxicity values and an assessment factor of 100, a predicted no effect concentration (PNEC) of 1.5 μ g/L was obtained.

With regard to chronic toxicity, the following reliable data were obtained: a 72-h NOEC of 50 μ g/L for growth inhibition in the alga *R. subcapitata* and a 21-d NOEC of 80 μ g/L for reproductive inhibition in the crustacean *D. magna*. Accordingly, based on this chronic toxicity value and an assessment factor of 100, a PNEC of 0.5 μ g/L was obtained.

The value of 0.5 μ g/L obtained from the chronic toxicity to the crustacean was used as the PNEC for this substance.

The PEC/PNEC ratio is 0.32 for freshwater bodies and 0.01 for seawater; accordingly, <u>efforts to collect data are needed</u> for determining ecological risk. A comprehensive review of the above findings draws the same conclusion.

Environmental concentration data need to be augmented taking into consideration major emission sources. Further, efforts to collect data regarding chronic toxicity to fish species are needed.

	Hazard assessment (basis for PNEC)				Predicted no effect	Exposure assessment			
	Species	Acute/ chronic	Endpoint	Assessment coefficient	concentration PNEC (µg/L)	Water body	Predicted environmental concentration PEC (µg/L)	PEC/ PNEC ratio	Comprehensive judgment
	Green algae	Chronic	NOEC Growth inhibition	100	0.5	Freshwater	0.16	0.32	•
						Seawater	0.0054	0.01	

4. Conclusions

	Conclusions	Judgment
Ecological risk	Requiring information collection.	A

[Risk judgments] O: No need for further work

▲: Requiring information collection

■: Candidates for further work

×: Impossibility of risk characterization