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## European Chemicals Regulation REACH at DyStar

### DyStar successfully registered most important substances under REACH

The first deadline for full registration under REACH - December 1st, 2010 - has passed: the registration dossiers for high-volume substances (> 1,000 tons p.a.) have been submitted. DyStar Colours as a leading producer and importer of textile dyes has registered successfully C.I. Reactive Black 5 and Indigo as well as several other substances used within the manufacturing processes of its dyestuff and auxiliary products. Now we are concentrating on the next tonnage band 100 – 1000 t/a, a range where the registration of a significantly higher number of dyes will have to be managed before mid 2013.

### DyStar pre-registered all relevant substances manufactured in or imported into the European Economic Area

REACH compliance has been assigned as one of DyStar's priorities for substances both manufactured in and imported into the European Economic Area (i.e. the EU member states including Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein) as early as first drafts of the Regulation were discussed. Therefore DyStar was well prepared for the REACH Regulation when it came into force on June 1, 2007. As part of our preparation, all substances for which a registration is required, have been pre-registered within the deadline set. Our strategic planning of new and ongoing activities also considers the REACH impact, so that we proactively contact the European Chemical Agency (ECHA) to submit all relevant information ensuring REACH compliance.

DyStar intends to register all individual substances contained in its products within the respective deadlines set. If you have any doubt regarding the use of any DyStar product please contact your local DyStar Account Manager or alternatively contact us at [REACH@DyStar.com](mailto:REACH@DyStar.com).

We will also continue with the registration processes under REACH to ensure the supply to our customers with high-quality products that conform to relevant legislation.

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You should be aware of the enormous task that dye and chemical suppliers face in complying with REACH. For your information the legislation requires ALL suppliers of dyes and chemicals who produce inside the EEA or import into Europe to pre-register and then to register the substances within the deadlines laid down in the Regulation for the various tonnage thresholds

DyStar with its great team of experts with many years experience of chemical substance management has successfully completed many registrations of new chemical substances according to chemical regulations worldwide. We are proud to be owners of a comprehensive archive of toxicological testing reports on a large number of dyes and to have many years of experience in this field as well.

### **DyStar's R&D activities**

As a leading producer and importer of textile dyes and auxiliaries DyStar has also an active Research & Development Department inventing new dyestuffs and new processes for synthesis and application. DyStar intends also to register new substances to guarantee a supply of innovative products fulfilling highest customer demands. The first registrations of such substances are already planned for 2011.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the trust you have placed in our company. If you need any information on REACH and DyStar products, please do not hesitate to contact us. General information on REACH can be found in the interest at [www.DyStar.com](http://www.DyStar.com) (e.g. information related to SVHC-substances, frequently asked questions, safety data sheets and the Globally Harmonized System (GHS)).

With best regards,

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