

COREXIT AVAILABILITY – UPDATE TO MEMBERS AND INDUSTRY

Dear IOGP Members / Industry Partners

This is an important update on the manufacture of the dispersant COREXIT™.

COREXIT Environmental Solutions LLC, a subsidiary of ChampionX, announced in November 2022 they would discontinue the manufacture and sale of COREXIT™ oil dispersant and shoreline cleaner products, effective immediately. In January 2023, they updated that communication to indicate that they will no longer support the regulatory framework – including product registrations or re-registration – for this product line effective July 1, 2023.

Since COREXIT™ Environmental Solutions LLC's announcements, IOGP and various oil spill response organizations (OSRO) have been exploring options for our members and the wider industry.

The first step taken by IOGP and its members was to establish a task force dedicated to resolving the issues resulting from the ChampionX announcements.

This task force is led by Harvey Johnstone, IOGP's Environment Director

The task force's work has been informed by the attached information paper that outlines the issue and the work of the Task Force will be conducted in line with the [IOGP Competition Law Guidelines](#).

There are several issues in the short and longer term that the task force will be working to resolve, such as:

- Adequacy of global dispersant stockpiles and supply.
- Registration support for existing stockpiles and future supply of dispersants
- Understanding the global registration processes for dispersants in various countries.
- The adequacy of the number of dispersants registered in each country.
- Indemnification requirements for certain dispersant products.

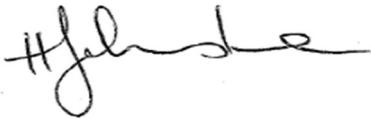
To start addressing the most immediate issues, IOGP recently met with ChampionX to establish communications and seek clarity on current options relating specifically to COREXIT™.

As a consequence of the initial meetings and discussions, I can report that ChampionX remains committed to exiting the dispersants manufacturing and supply market, and upon considering IOGP's request to continue their support of the regulatory framework around the use of COREXIT, including product registrations, or re-registration, have indicated that they will extend temporary support beyond the 1st July 2023. A further communication from IOGP will be forthcoming on this and we will continue to provide regular updates regarding progress with various task force.

IOGP will set up a Dispersants Task Force Portal on the IOGP website where all communications will be placed. We will place the link in our next communication.

Should you have any queries or questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Johnstone', written in a cursive style.

Harvey Johnstone
Environment Director
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