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Pre-SIEF Facilitation

The Iron Platform is acting on behalf of the SIEF Formation Facilitator for Mill Scale, ArcelorMittal Olaberria

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Iron Platform substance portfolio

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Substance:

The responses to our first sameness survey for Mill Scale have been analysed. Following this analysis, some changes have been made to the sameness specification - please click on this link to view [the revised sameness specification for Mill Scale](#). Hopefully all issues relating to chemical analysis have been addressed in this revised specification.

Second Mill Scale Sameness Survey

Please follow this link to [the second Mill Scale sameness survey](#).

It is intended to register Mill Scale as a UVCB. UVCB is defined in the GUIDANCE FOR SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION AND NAMING IN REACH as follows:

"Substances of Unknown of Variable composition, Complex reaction products or Biological materials, also called UVCB substances, cannot be sufficiently identified by their chemical composition because:

- the number of constituents is relatively large, or
- the composition is, to a significant extent, unknown, and/or
- the variability of composition is relatively large or poorly predictable.

As a consequence, UVCB substances require other types of information for their identification, in addition to what is known about their chemical composition."

If you are in any doubt as to how to answer any of the questions in the survey, please contact us immediately.

The next steps

Once we have analysed the responses to this new survey, we will hopefully be able to confirm the sameness specification.

ArcelorMittal has provisionally indicated its willingness to be nominated as Lead Registrant for Mill Scale, but prefers to await the results of the second sameness survey before putting itself forward formally - there will therefore be one further questionnaire - in mid December 2009 - to deal with that and any other outstanding issues.

Thanks in advance for your co-operation.

Chris Barrington, Iron Platform Secretariat

REACH registration for specified IRON substances

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