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## **APAG Metallic Soaps CLP/GHS Task Force** - Position paper -

Dear Sirs,

Regulation 1272/2008/EC of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures requires companies to notify classification and labelling to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) for all substances within the scope of REACH and hazardous substances which are placed on the market and fall outside of the scope of REACH.

Industry strives to notify the same classification and labelling information for the same substances. It is in light of this objective that APAG and its members have prepared a harmonised classification and labelling information for a set of metal soaps.

APAG recommends that companies manufacturing Aluminium, Barium, Calcium, Iron, Lithium, Magnesium, Potassium, Sodium and Zinc salts of fatty Acids use the information that is made available on the APAG website for their CLP notification. (website link: http://www.apag.eu/...). To use or not such information, or use it partly, rests with each company on their own individual decision. Each company need also to evaluate the relevance of the information with regard to their own substances and uses. In addition, APAG cannot be liable for any partial use or non "matching" use as well as if the original information contained was to be altered.

In case of questions related to the recommended CLP classification and labelling, please do not hesitate to get in contact with the following APAG industry representatives:

- 1. For Calcium Lithium and Zinc salts: hotline.REACH@baerlocher.com
- 2. For Iron and Magnesium salts: Angelo.Nora@faci.it
- For Aluminium, Barium, Potassium, Sodium salts: reach@peter-greven.de 3.
- 4. For general requests about exemptions from notification: larocca@sogis.com

Best regards

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