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BDI is offering here the current version of the "European Standard Phrases Catalogue for Establishing Safety Data Sheets" (European Phrase Catalogue: EuPhraC). This catalogue has been established by the former BDI working group "Standard Phrases" and is now being revised at regular intervals by the EU-wide „BusinessEurope Working Group EuPhraC (WG EuPhraC)“ of the BusinessEurope REACH Implementation Network.

EuPhraC for establishing EU safety data sheets is further gaining significance with regard to REACH and CLP/GHS. Therefore, the catalogue is being adapted continuously to the new requirements.

Comments, corrections, modifications, applications for new standard phrases and queries may be submitted to the WG EuPhraC via anita.hillmer@volkswagen.de.

In the future, a modern proposal tool will be available on the web, which facilitates the receipt of requests and their treatment. Respective draft working files for the next version are available via www.euphrac.eu.

Conditions of use for drawing up safety data sheets

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The catalogue contains a selection of generally accepted standard phrases in accordance with current law. This selection can be supplemented by sectoral catalogues harmonized throughout the sectors, containing sector-specific standard phrases.

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EuPhraC has been developed by experts throughout the EU, organized in the BusinessEurope Working Group EuPhraC (WG EuPhraC). This project group will oversee the further improvement and adaptation of the catalogue. The catalogue is supported by the BusinessEurope REACH Implementation Network as a suitable tool for companies for producing EU-safety data sheets and by Cefic for the establishment of exposure scenarios.

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