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The Secretary
Medicines & Poisons Scheduling
Office of Chemical Safety
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Publication of interim decisions amending, or not amending, the current Poisons Standard, June 2018 - Vinyl Acetate Monomer

Chemistry Australia is the peak national body representing the chemistry industry in Australia. Chemistry Australia members include chemicals manufacturers, importers and distributors, logistics and supply chain partners, raw material suppliers, plastics fabricators and compounders, recyclers, and service providers to the sector and the chemistry and chemical engineering schools of a number of Australian universities.

Australia's entire society – businesses, consumers and governments – along with its natural environment receive enormous benefits associated with the safe, responsible and sustainable use of chemicals. To fulfil the optimal benefits of chemistry, balanced approaches are critical in stewarding effective chemical management.

Chemistry Australia welcomes and supports the interim decision taken by the delegate on Vinyl Acetate Monomer. We consider that a thorough analysis was taken and a pragmatic outcome was achieved to ensure a balanced regulatory framework is maintained on vinyl acetate.

For more information or if we can assist this review any further, please don't hesitate to contact me on

