



OFFICE OF POLLUTION PREVENTION AND TOXICS

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Andrew Gonzalez

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Re: PET-001919: Petition for Rulemaking to Amend Labeling Requirements for Liquid Laundry Detergents Under the Federal Hazardous Substances Act (FHSA)

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

I am writing to confirm that on January 6, 2026, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency received your petition requesting that EPA “issue a rule under TSCA Section 6(a) determining that the ongoing use of [Sodium C10-16 Alkylbenzenesulfonate (CAS RN: 68081-81-2), Sodium Laureth Sulfate (SLES) (CAS RN: 68585-34-2), and 1,4-Dioxane (CAS RN: 123-91-1)] in consumer laundry detergents presents an unreasonable risk of injury to human health” and specifically issue:

- “1. Mandatory Warning Labels: Requirement for labels to state ‘Concentrated residues of this product are known skin irritants.’
- 2. Impurity Disclosure: Mandatory disclosure on the physical product label when 1,4-Dioxane is detectable above 0.1 ppm, due to its classification as a probable human carcinogen.”

Your petition has been filed pursuant to section 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act and, as required under this section, EPA will either grant or deny the portions of your petition eligible for TSCA section 21 within 90 days of the date we received your petition (i.e., by April 6, 2026).

If you have any questions relating to your petition or the EPA’s guidelines for TSCA section 21 petitions, feel free to contact petitions-ocspp@epa.gov, or Thomas Groeneveld of my staff at groeneveld.thomas@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Mary Elissa Reaves, Ph.D.
Director