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 Possible resolution for the definition of Chemicals under pressure

 Transmitted by the expert from Sweden

1. There appears to be general support in the SCEGHS for inclusion of the hazard class Chemicals under pressure as presented in ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2018/80−ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2018/25 from CEFIC and EIGA. However, some concerns were expressed regarding the definition of Chemicals under pressure in section 2.3.2.1 of the new sub-chapter, especially relating to the 50% cut-off value.

2. In an attempt to resolve these differences, the expert from Sweden suggests the following alternative definition and associated note, for consideration and possible further refinement:

“2.3.2.1 Definition

*Chemicals under pressure* are liquids or solids (e.g., pastes or powders), pressurized with a gas at a pressure of 200 kPa (gauge) or more at 20 °C, which do not meet the criteria for Gases under pressure or Aerosols.

***NOTE:*** *Chemicals under pressure typically contain 50% or more by mass of liquids or solids.*”

3. The expert from Sweden notes that there would be consequential amendments needed throughout the chapter, should the above definition be introduced.