



Press release

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AkzoNobel GLDA chelates approved by US EPA

AkzoNobel's global Chelates business is pleased to announce that its GLDA (l-glutamic acid, N,N-di (acetic acid), tetrasodium salt) chelates have been approved by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for use in non food contact pesticide formulations.

The mission of EPA is to protect human health and to safeguard the natural environment - air, water and land - upon which life depends. The unique characteristics of Dissolvine® GL, our greener chelate, are that it is readily biodegradable, has an excellent safety profile, is a suitable alternative to traditional products and is based on a natural, renewable source.

The EPA has added the chelating agent, marketed by AkzoNobel Functional Chemicals as Dissolvine® GL-Na4 (CAS Reg. No. 51981-21-6), to the list of approved FIFRA Inert Ingredients. As such this product is permitted in non food use of pesticide products that are hard surface sanitizers and disinfectants for indoor surfaces at a maximum concentration of 5% by weight in the formulation

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AkzoNobel is the global leader in food grade chelates, produced at the company's Functional Chemicals plant in Herkenbosch, the Netherlands. AkzoNobel is the largest global paints and coatings company and a major producer of specialty chemicals. We supply industries and consumers worldwide with innovative products and are passionate about developing sustainable answers for our customers. Our portfolio includes well known brands such as Dulux, Sikkens, International and Eka. Headquartered in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, we are a Global Fortune 500 company and are consistently ranked as one of the leaders on the Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes. With operations in more than 80 countries, our 55,000 people around the world are committed to excellence and delivering Tomorrow's Answers Today™.

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