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A gift to a bygonage chemical industry at the expense of consumers and their health

Chemicals OMNIBUS package

Today, the European Commission presented a Chemicals industry action plan and a new Chemicals omnibus.

Bas EICKHOUT, Greens-EFA President comments:

"Health protection is thrown overboard to increase the profits of the chemical industry. With this new proposal to deregulate chemicals, the European Commission is undermining transparency for consumers and, above all, putting people and their environment at risk.

The weakening of legislation on cosmetics in particular is very worrying. By allowing the use of certain carcinogenic, mutagenic and toxic to reproduction substances (CMRs) in cosmetics and personal care products - which were banned until now -the EC is creating a big health hazard for European citizens. This is how you not only risk the health, but also erode the trust of Europeans."

Furthermore, by reversing rules on the labelling of hazardous substances that have only been adopted last year, the Commission is penalizing companies that have made the necessary investments to adapt to the new legislation while rewarding those who are lagging behind."

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