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Press Release on the adoption of the Council General Approach on the Recast of the Drinking Water Directive

Brussels, 05 March 2019 - The European Drinking Water Industrial Alliance (EDW) supports the Council General Approach setting harmonised hygienic requirements for materials and products in contact with drinking water.

“The adoption of the Council General Approach is an important step to ensure that the same rules apply to materials and products in contact with drinking water all over Europe. This is a win-win solution: every EU consumer will enjoy the same high level of human health protection and EU companies will improve their competitiveness by reaping all the advantages of the single market”, said Volker Meyer, Chairman of the EDW.

The EDW calls on the Council and the European Parliament to reach an ambitious compromise in view of the trilogue negotiations that will occur under the next term (2019-2024).

“The European Parliament and the Council both agree on the need for harmonisation. We call on the European co-legislators to maintain a high level of ambition in the final text”, concluded Volker Meyer, Chairman of the EDW.

About us

The European Drinking Water (EDW) is an alliance of currently 31 European trade associations representing industries involved with the supply of products or materials that are used in drinking water applications and connected to municipal drinking water supplies within the European Union (EU). This ranges, from raw materials suppliers to producers of pumps, water meters, pipes, valves, taps, fittings, water treatment, water heaters, catering equipment industry, seals, etc. and all types of materials, such as elastomers, metals, plastics, etc. The alliance is open to any industry association relevant to drinking water contact applications

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 BMA Bathroom Manufacturers Association	 Branchehuset	 British Water	 CEIR European Association for the Taps and Valves Industry
 CEPE The European Council of the Paint, Printing Ink and Artist's Colours Industry	 CES Silicones Europe	 CESA Catering Equipment Suppliers Association	 Deutsches Kupferinstitut Copper Alliance
 EADIPS European Association for Ductile Iron Pipe Systems	 EFCEM European Federation of Catering Equipment Manufacturers	 EHI European Heating Industry	 ELISANA European Light Stabilisers and Antioxidants Association
 ESA European Sealing Association	 ETRMA European Tyre & Rubber Manufacturers' Association	 Europump The European Pump Manufacturers Association	 EVA European Vending Association
 EWTA European Water Treatment Association	 FCA Food Contact Additives (a Cefic Sector Group)	 Figawa Association of Companies for Gas and Water Technologies	 KRV Fachverband der Kunststoffrohrindustrie
 PlasticsEurope	 SOIA Synthetic Organic Ion Exchangers and Adsorbents	 TEPPFA The European Plastic Pipes and Fittings Association	 VDDW Association of German water- and heat meters industry
 VRH Association for Piping Systems Inside Buildings	 WQA Water Quality Association	 ZVEI German Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers' Association	