

## Specific questions request 2

### **“Lead and Cadmium as components of the glazes and colour used to glaze or decorate lamp bases, lamp carriers or clocks”**

The following specific questions should be answered in your stakeholder contribution if you support request 2 to be granted / rejected:

#### Questions to the applicant or supporting stakeholders:

1. Is this exemption request intended to clarify whether **exemption 7(c)** (lead in electronic ceramic parts) covers this use of lead in such a ceramic? If so, please note that it is the manufacturer's responsibility to decide whether or not his application / product falls under the scope of an existing exemption. Please clarify and decide whether the exemption request should be maintained.
2. Is this exemption request intended to clarify questions around the **homogeneous material**? If it is unclear whether the ceramic used for itself is considered as a homogeneous material, the manufacturer has to decide about this issue. Please refer to the Commission's FAQ-document and then decide whether the exemption request should be maintained.
3. From the submitted information, it is not clear for which **applications** the exemption for the use of lead and cadmium actually is requested. The request seems to refer to lead in ceramic bases for clocks and luminaires and possibly to other ceramics as well, and in colors and/or glazes on ceramics and possibly on other materials containing lead- is this a correct interpretation? The same seems to be the case for cadmium. Please specify exactly which use of lead and cadmium should be covered by the exemption request in case it should not be withdrawn.
4. Please explain why this exemption request has become **necessary now**, more than 18 months after the use of lead and cadmium has been banned under the RoHS Directive.
5. Please provide a **roadmap** with activities, milestones and timelines towards the replacement of lead and cadmium in this application.

#### Questions to all stakeholders:

1. Please comment on possible **RoHS-compliant alternatives** if any are available. Please describe in detail the exact material and application of the RoHS compliant alternative.