Structures, Rotational Barriers, and Thermochemical Properties of *â***-Chlorinated Ethyl Hydroperoxides**

Hongyan Sun and Joseph W. Bozzelli*

*Department of Chemistry and En*V*ironmental Science, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark, New Jersey 07102*

*Recei*V*ed: October 23, 2002; In Final Form: December 26, 2002*

Structures, internal rotational barriers, and thermochemical properties of 2-chloroethyl hydroperoxide, 2,2 dichloroethyl hydroperoxide, and 2,2,2-trichloroethyl hydroperoxide are computed by ab initio and density functional calculations. Molecular structures and vibrational frequencies are determined at the B3LYP/6- 31G(d,p) density functional level, with single-point calculations for the energy at the B3LYP/6-311+G(3df,- 2p), QCISD(T)/6-31G(d,p), and CBSQ//B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) levels. The S°_{298} and $C_p(T)$ values ($0 \leq T/K \leq$ 5000) from vibrational, translational, and external rotational contributions are calculated using statistical mechanics based on the vibrational frequencies and structures obtained from the density functional study. Potential barriers for the internal rotations are calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level, and all minima and maxima on the torsional potentials are fully optimized. The hindered rotational contributions to S°_{298} and $C_p(T)$ are calculated by using direct integration over energy levels of the internal rotational potentials. The enthalpies of formation are calculated using isodesmic reactions, and the recommended ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ values for CH₂ClCH₂OOH, CHCl₂CH₂OOH, and CCl₃CH₂OOH are $-45.47 \pm 1.20, -48.92 \pm 1.50$, and -50.21 ± 1.50 1.36 kcal/mol, respectively. Interaction terms for a peroxy group with chlorine(s) on a β carbon are developed for the group additivity approach. Bond energies calculated from the enthalpies of β -chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides and their corresponding radicals show good agreement with those from our previous studies.

Introduction

The incineration and atmospheric oxidation processes of chlorine-containing organic compounds are of major interest since such compounds can contribute to the transport of chlorine species to the atmosphere and stratosphere. The oxidation of chlorinated hydrocarbon is initiated mainly by the reaction with OH radical to produce chloroalkyl radicals that will react with $O₂$ to generate peroxy radicals. Chlorinated alkyl peroxy species are also formed in the atmosphere where chlorine atoms can add to olefins and then react with $O₂$. Chloroalkyl hydroperoxides are produced in the further reactions of alkylperoxy radicals with the hydroperoxy radical, $HO₂$, and are also formed via H-atom abstraction from other hydrocarbon species with weakly bonded hydrogen atoms. Chloroalkyl hydroperoxides are important intermediates in low-temperature oxidation such as in the initial stages of combustion and in the atmospheric photochemical oxidation of chlorohydrocarbons because peroxy radical reactions are the first step in the oxidation processes. Chloroalkyl hydroperoxides are also the logical starting molecules in estimating the thermochemistry of the corresponding chlorinated peroxy radicals.

The thermodynamic properties of chlorinated alkyl hydroperoxides are needed for understanding and predicting the reaction pathways, rate constants, and equilibrium constants in order to assess the impact of chlorocarbon degradation products on the environment. Experimental and theoretical studies on thermodynamic properties of chlorinated methyl hydroperoxides and α -chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides have been reported, $1-6$ but there are no thermochemical data on *â*-chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides in the published literature. While the activation energy for abstraction of H from chlorinated ethane is lower in

the α site than in the β site,⁷ the abstraction of H from chlorinated ethane in the *â* site is favored by steric factors and is also an important channel. These β site abstraction reactions will lead to the formation of *â*-chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides. Enthalpy, ∆*H*f°298, entropy, *S*°298, and heat capacities *C*p(*T*) for the β -chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides (CH₂ClCH₂OOH, CHCl₂- $CH₂OOH$, and $CCl₃CH₂OOH$) are calculated in this study using density functional and ab initio methods. These parameters are useful in the evaluation of both atmosphere and combustion reaction paths and kinetics of chlorocarbon oxidation processes.

Calculation Methods

All of the density functional and ab initio calculations are performed using the Gaussian-94 program.8 The geometry optimization, harmonic vibration frequencies, and zero-point vibrational energies (ZPVE) are computed at the B3LYP/6-31G- (d,p) level. The optimized geometry parameters are used to obtain total electronic energies at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p), B3LYP/6-311+G(3df,2p), QCISD(T)/6-31G(d,p), and CBSQ// B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) single-point levels of calculation. The selection of this calculation method was fully discussed in the previous studies.5,9,10 Total energies are corrected by ZPVE, which are scaled by 0.9806 as recommended by Scott et al.¹¹ Thermal correction is taken into account using the B3LYP structure and vibrations.

The ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ are calculated using total energies and isodesmic reactions. Isodesmic reactions are hypothetical reactions where the number of electron pairs and the bonds of the same type are conserved on both sides of the equation, only the relationship among the bonds is altered. Contributions of vibration, translation, and external rotation to entropies and heat capacities are calculated from scaled vibrational frequencies and moments of * Corresponding author. E-mail: bozzelli@njit.edu. inertia of the optimized structures. Contributions from hindered

TABLE 1: Geometry Parameters Optimized at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) Level

Molecule					Bond Length ^a Bond Angle ^b Dihedral Angle ^c		Frequencies ^d		
							Moments of Inertia ^e		
	CH ₂ CICH ₂ OOH								
	r21	1.5218	a312		113.14 d4123	118.85	104	902	1405
	r31	1.8220	a412	110.76 d5123		240.70	143	963	1461
	r41	1.0907		a512 110.71 d6213		57.82	261	1067	1480
	r51	1.0919	a621		112.01 d7213	177.20	342	1072	3036
	r62	1.0937	a721		107.27 d8213	292.70	422	1222	3097
	r72	1.0989	a821		113.52 d9821	92.75	508	1282	3114
	r82	1.4213	a982		108.29 d10982	271.05	648	1341	3166
	r98	1.4513 a1098 101.17					845	1389	3720
		r109 0.9735							
							277.36	690.73	904.71
	CHCl ₂ CH ₂ OOH								
	r21	1.5317		a312 112.52 d4123		124.53	54	674	1307
	r31	1.8100		a412 111.10 d5123		242.41	147	730	1384
	r41	1.7989	a512		109.99 d6213	58.42	197	877	1402
	r51	1.0897	a621		109.31 d7213	176.87	273	952	1455
	r62	1.0948	a721		107.15 d8213	293.52	288	1043	3055
	r72	1.0963	a821		115.21 d9821	89.98	319	1094	3116
3	r82				1.4112 a982 108.28 d10982	262.57	469	1252	3143
	r98			1.4524 a1098 100.93			579	1281	3738
		r109 0.9727							
							680.85		994.20 1427.15
					CCl ₃ CH ₂ OOH				
	r21	1.5458	a312	111.38 d4123		121.03	66	398	1097
	r31			1.8053 a412 110.10 d5123		240.54	150	509	1305
	r41	1.7951		a512 107.39 d6213		60.68	171	565	1378
	r51	1.8035	a621		109.06 d7213	179.55	222	695	1397
	r62	1.0927	a721		106.92 d8213	296.25	256	791	1455
	r72	1.0945	a821		113.89 d9821	93.22	293	889	3077
	r82	1.4071	a982		108.56 d10982	258.09	300	1028	3145
3	r98			1.4522 a1098 100.79			329	1059	3740
		r109 0.9726							
									1029.96 1670.23 1794.54

a Bond length in \AA . *b* Bond angle in degree. *c* Dihedral angle in degree. *d* Frequencies in cm⁻¹. *e* Moments of inertia in amu.Bohr².

rotors to $S^{\circ}{}_{298}$ and $C_p(T)$ are determined using direct integration over energy levels of the intramolecular rotational potential curves which can be represented by a truncated Fourier series expansion.⁶ The number of optical isomers and the mixing of rotational conformers are also incorporated for calculation of *S*°298.

Results and Discussion

Geometries. The fully optimized geometric parameters along with vibrational frequencies and moments of inertia calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level for the three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides are presented in Table 1. The calculation at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level gives $O-O$ bond length of 1.45 Å in all three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides, which is in good

TABLE 2: Effect of *â***-Chlorine Substitution on Bond Length**

species	$C-C(A)$	$C-O(A)$	$O-H(A)$
CH ₃ CH ₂ OOH	1.5227	1.4266	0.9707
CH ₂ ClCH ₂ OOH	1.5218	1.4213	0.9735
CHCl ₂ CH ₂ OOH	1.5317	1.4113	0.9728
CCl ₃ CH ₂ OOH	1.5458	1.4071	0.9727

agreement with the experimental data (1.452 Å for H_2O_2) of Khachkuruzov and Przhevalskii¹² using IR spectroscopy.

Effects of β -chlorine substitution on molecular geometries can be seen from Table 2. The C-C bond lengths for $β$ -chloroethyl hydroperoxides are increased with the increased chlorine substitution, but the $C-O$ bond lengths decrease with

Figure 1. Potential barriers for internal rotation about the C-C bond of CH₂ClCH₂OOH, CHCl₂CH₂OOH, and CCl₃CH₂OOH. Points are calculated values at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level. Lines are Fourier expansion with the coefficients listed in the Supporting Information (Table S2).

the increased chlorine substitution. This is because the Cl atom withdraws the electrons through its inductive effect; the lone pairs from the peroxy oxygen are oriented toward the $-CH_2$ group, making the $C-O$ bond length shorter than the normal ^C-O bond.

As illustrated in Table 1, the lowest energy conformation for the three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides has the $-OOH$ group gauche to the maximum number of chlorine atoms, despite the apparent steric penalty incurred. This is because the gauche orientation of the peroxy group allows for intramolecular interaction between the peroxy H atom and a Cl atom on the chloroethyl group. The interatomic distances between the peroxy H atom and a Cl atom in the chloroethyl group for CH_2ClCH_2 -OOH, CHCl₂CH₂OOH, and CCl₃CH₂OOH are 2.642, 2.742, and 2.751 Å, respectively. These distances provide an indication to the degree of intramolecular hydrogen bonding present in these species. Hydrogen bonding can occur when the distance between a hydrogen atom and an electronegative donor is significantly less than the sum of the van der Waals radii. The van der Waals radii are 1.2 and 1.8 Å for H and Cl atoms, respectively.13 Due to the intramolecular hydrogen bonding between the peroxy H atom and a Cl atom, the O-H bond lengths for the three β -chloroethyl hydroperoxides increase 0.03 Å relative to normal $O-H$ bond in $CH₃CH₂OOH$. This hydrogen bonding results in an increase in the O-H bond strength by ca. 2 kcal/mol (see Appendix Table A1). Additional chlorine substitutions on the ethyl hydroperoxides slightly decrease the O-H bond lengths $0.007 \sim 0.008$ Å, and increase the O-H bond strength by 1.2 kcal/mol. These O-H bond length decreases coincide with the increased interatomic H····Cl distances, which are due to the increased repulsion between the electronegative O and Cl atoms.

Rotational Barriers. Potential energy as a function of torsion angle is determined by scanning the dihedral angles from 0° to 360° at 15° increments and allowing the remaining molecular structural parameters to be optimized at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level. The barrier of a given rotation is then calculated as the difference between the highest point on the potential energy surface and the corresponding most stable conformer. The geometries at the points of minima and maxima are fully optimized. The calculated rotational barriers about the $C-C$, ^C-O, and O-O bonds of the target three species are shown in Figures 1, 2, and 3, respectively.

The calculated rotational barriers about the $C-C$ bond of the three target species are shown in Figure 1. All three curves show

Figure 2. Potential barriers for internal rotation about the $C-O$ bond of CH₂ClCH₂OOH, CHCl₂CH₂OOH, and CCl₃CH₂OOH. Points are calculated values at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level. Lines are Fourier expansion with the coefficients listed in the Supporting Information (Table S2).

three minima and three maxima, with barriers between 4.77 and 5.74 kcal/mol; the curve for CCl_3-CH_2OOH shows 3-fold symmetry. These curves represent typical $C-C$ bond rotational potentials, in which the eclipsed structures are corresponding to the maxima and the staggered structures are corresponding to the minima on the potential curves.

Figure 2 shows the potential curves for rotational barriers about the C-O bond for three chloroethyl hydroperoxides. The conformers with dihedral ∠C-C- -O-O \approx 90° are most stable because of two electrostatic interactions. The first is the O...H interaction between the peroxy O atom and the H atom in the $-CH₂$ group, and the interatomic distance between them is 2.37 Å, which is significantly less than the sum of the van der Waals radii for O and H atoms (2.70 Å) . The second is the H ··· Cl interaction between the peroxy H atom and the Cl atom in the chloroethyl group; the interatomic distance is 2.63 Å , which is less than the sum of the van der Waals radii of H and Cl (3.0 Å).¹³ The conformers with dihedral ∠C-C- -O-O \approx 180° or 270° do not have the second H \cdots Cl interactions, so they have 0.63∼2.47 kcal/mol higher energy than the lowest energy conformers. The highest rotational barriers about the ^C-O bond are 7.2 [∼] 9.7 kcal/mol, corresponding to the OH- CCl_x ($x = 1~\sim 3$) eclipsed structures.

Figure 3 shows calculated rotational barriers about the $O-O$ bond of the three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides. The HO- OCCCI_x ($x = 1 \sim 3$) eclipsed structures for the three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides correspond to the highest rotational barriers, because the four nonbonding electron pairs on peroxy oxygen atoms eclipse to each other. While the conformers with four nonbonding electron pairs on the peroxy oxygen atoms are staggered to each other, and the nearest interatomic distances between the peroxy H atom and the Cl atom correspond to the most stable conformers.

Enthalpy of Formation. The ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ values are calculated using total energies and working isodesmic reactions. The accuracy of the enthalpies of formation obtained theoretically is controlled by several factors: the level of sophistication applied to calculate the electronic energy, the reliability of the ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ of the reference compounds, the uncertainty of the ZPVE values plus the thermal corrections, and the choice of the working isodesmic reactions. The total energies of the three chlorinated hydroperoxides are listed in Supporting Information (Table S1), and the ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ and their uncertainties for standard

Figure 3. Potential barriers for internal rotation about the O-O bond of CH₂ClCH₂OOH, CHCl₂CH₂OOH, and CCl₃CH₂OOH. Points are calculated values at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level. Lines are Fourier expansion with the coefficients listed in the Supporting Information (Table S2).

species used in the reactions are listed in Table 3. The reaction enthalpies and ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ values for three target species obtained from three isodesmic reactions are tabulated in Table 4. The results for ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ values in Table 4 show good consistency for the three chloroethyl hydroperoxides over three isodesmic reactions and the four calculation methods. DFT calculations show good agreement with the high level ab initio calculations, indicating the errors inherent in computations for different types of molecule are canceled to a significant extent, and lead to reliable results.

The calculated $\Delta H_1^{\circ}{}_{298}$ in Table 4 are the enthalpy values for the pure enantiomer of the lowest energy. The recommended ΔH_1° ₂₉₈ values for CH₂ClCH₂OOH, CHCl₂CH₂OOH, and CCl₃-CH₂OOH are $-45.47 \pm 1.20, -48.92 \pm 1.50,$ and $-50.21 \pm$ 1.36 kcal/mol, respectively. Here the statistical distribution of rotational conformers is considered and calculated by ∆*H*f°mix $= n_i \Delta H_f^{\circ}$; where n_i and ΔH_f° are the Boltzmann equilibrium mole fraction and the enthalpy of formation of the *i*th conformer

(see entropy and heat capacity section). The error limits of $\Delta H_{f}^{\circ}{}_{298}$ are calculated by adding the deviations between the working reactions, the errors from ZPVEs and thermal corrections, and the maximum uncertainties in the ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ of reference species. Manion¹⁹ in an extensive review, compared ab initio calculated values and experimental results on the relative ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ of the isomeric chlorinated C_2 compounds with two to four chlorine atoms. He reports the theory and experiment are in good agreement with the largest deviation of 0.79 kcal/mol. Based on this comparison, our calculated ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ values for the three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides should have similar accuracy.

Entropy and Heat Capacity. S°_{298} and $C_p(T)$ (300 $\leq T/K$ \leq 1500) calculation results using the geometries and harmonic frequencies determined at the B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level are summarized in Table 5. The torsion frequencies, corresponding to the C-C, C-O, and O-O bond rotations, are omitted in calculation of $S^{\circ}{}_{298}$ and $C_p(T)$, but we replace their contributions with values from analysis of the internal rotations. TVR represent the sum of the contributions from translation, vibration, and external rotation to S°_{298} and $C_p(T)$ obtained by statistical mechanics. I.R. represent the contributions from hindered internal rotations about the C-C, C-O, and O-O bonds to S°_{298} and $C_{p}(T)$. This calculation is based on an optimized 3D atom coordinate for the lowest energy conformer, the respective connection to atoms of the bond about which rotation is occurring, and the coefficients of the Fourier expansion components from rotational potential curves. The coefficients of the Fourier expansion components are listed in Table S2 (Supporting Information).

The entropy correction for mixing, $\Delta S_{\text{mixing}} = -R \sum n_i \ln(n_i)$, for rotational conformers was included in the entropy calculation²⁰ where n_i is the Boltzmann equilibrium mole fraction of the *i*th conformer. Here, Boltzmann mole fractions at different temperatures were calculated based on the energy difference for rotational conformers at 0 K. The thermochemical parameters for heat capacity, entropy, and enthalpy corrections ($0 \leq T/K$ \leq 5000) for the three target species in this work are listed in Table 6. The contributions from hindered internal rotations to

TABLE 3: ∆*H***f**°**²⁹⁸ for Standard Species Used in Isodesmic Reactions***^a*

species	$\Delta H_{\rm f}^{\rm o}{}_{298}$ (kcal/mol)	ref	species	$\Delta H_{\rm f}^{\rm o}{}_{298}$ (kcal/mol)	ret
$\rm CH_{4}$ C_2H_6 C_3h_8 CH ₃ OOH CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ OOH	-17.89 ± 0.07 -20.24 ± 0.12 -25.02 ± 0.12 -31.8 ± 0.94 -44.77 ± 0.41	14 14 18	C_2H_5Cl CH ₃ CHCl ₂ CH_3CCl_3 CH ₃ CH ₂ OOH CHCl ₂ OH	-26.79 ± 0.26 -31.09 ± 0.67 -34.01 ± 0.41 -39.70 ± 0.3 -65.88 ± 0.76	15 16 16 18

of the lowest energy at the CBSQ//B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level.

^a Thermodynamic properties are referred to a standard state of an ideal gas of at 1 atm. The enthalpy and entropy correction for mixing of rotational conformers are included. *^b* Units in kcal/mol. *^c* Units in cal/mol/K. *^d* The sum of contributions from translations, vibrations, and external rotations. *^e* Contribution from internal rotation about the C-C bond. *^f* Contribution from internal rotation about the C-O bond. *^g* Contribution from internal rotation about the O-O bond. *^h* Symmetry number. *ⁱ* Optical isomer number.

 $S(T)$ and $C_p(T)$ values and the entropy corrections for the rotational conformers at the different temperatures are illustrated in Tables S3-S5 for the three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides.

Group Additivity Correction Terms

Group additivity²⁰ is a straightforward and reasonably accurate calculation method to estimate thermodynamic properties of hydrocarbons and oxygenated hydrocarbons, but conventional group additivity does not work well for chlorocarbons or other halocarbons, as group additivity does not incorporate effects of next nearest neighbors.²¹ In this paper, we define three sets of peroxy oxygen - chlorine interaction terms that can be used with Benson type group additivity scheme for calculation of the thermodynamic properties of multichloro peroxy-hydrocarbons.

In the three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides, the nearest interatomic distances between the Cl atom and the O atom are $3.10 \sim 3.23$ Å, so there are significant interactions between the electronegative Cl and the O atoms. The interaction values between chlorine(s) on the ethyl and the peroxy oxygen (OO/ Cl, $OO/Cl₂$, and $OO/Cl₃$) are calculated from differences between the sum of defined chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxide group values and the determined thermodynamic properties of the parent compounds. The calculated interaction values are listed in Table 7. The interaction values in Table 7 indicate a several kcal/mol increase in enthalpy due to destabilizing interaction of chlorine(s) on the ethyl group with the peroxy group. The group additivity corrections for the ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ are 2.72, 3.51, and 5.02 kcal/mol for the interaction group OO/Cl, OO/Cl₂, and OO/ Cl3, respectively. Interaction terms for entropies at 298 K and heat capacities listed in Table 7 are relatively small.

TABLE 7: Thermodynamic Properties of the Peroxy-Chlorine(s) Interaction Group

interaction group	$\Delta H_{\rm f}^{\,\circ}{}_{298}$ a	C٥ 298	$C_{p}300^{b}$	$C_{p}400$	C_{n} 500	$C_{p}600$	$C_{p}800$	$C_{n}1000$
INT/OO/Cl INT/OO/Cl ₂	2.72 3.51	3.20 -0.45	1.15 רד ר \angle . I	0.88 2.47	0.46 1.68	-0.31 0.61	-0.85 -0.40	-1.55 -1.17
INT/OO/Cl ₃ $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccc} \multicolumn{4}{c}{} & \$	5.02 \cdots \sim $+1$	0.48	1.95	1.43	0.61	-0.39	—	1.67 -1

^a Units in kcal/mol. *^b* Units in cal/mol/K.

Summary

Thermodynamic properties of CH_2ClCH_2OOH , $CHCl_2CH_2$ - OOH , and $CCl₃CH₂OOH$ were calculated using density functional and ab initio methods with isodesmic reaction schemes. ∆*H*f°²⁹⁸ values determined by isodesmic reactions show remarkable precision at the four calculation levels. The statistical distribution of rotational conformers was taken into account for $\Delta H_{f}^{\circ}{}_{298}$ and *S*°₂₉₈ values. *S*°₂₉₈ and *C*_p(*T*) (0 $\leq T/K \leq 5000$) were calculated with B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) optimized geometries and frequencies, and hindered internal rotational contributions to S°_{298} and $C_p(T)$ were calculated by intramolecular torsion potential curves. Bond energies calculated from *â*-chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides and the corresponding radicals are compared with those from previous studies. Interaction terms for peroxy group interacting with chlorine(s) on a β carbon are developed for a group additivity approach.

Acknowledgment. This research is supported by the USEPA Northeast Regional Research Center and the USEPA Airborne Organics Research Center.

Appendix

TABLE A1: Bond Energies

determined by CBSQ calculations and working reactions except as noted. ^{*b*} Bond energies calculated in the previous studies (refs 5, 9, and 10) are used for comparison. *^c* Seetula, J. A. *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* **2000**, *2*, 3807. *^d* From THERM group additivity estimation. *^e* Reference 9.

the lowest energy at the CBSQ//B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) level. The ΔH_f °₂₉₈ values for CH₃-_{*x*}Cl_xC•HOOH (*x* =1∼3) are not presented because the species dissociate to the corresponding aldehyde + OH exothermically with little or no barrier to dissociation (CH₃₋*x*Cl_{*x*}C+DOH \rightarrow CH_{3-*x*}Cl_{*x*}CHO+ OH). These secondary bond energies are estimated about 90 kcal/mol, but we expect abstraction bond energies to be similar to those from abstraction or from resonantly stabilized radical sites.

Supporting Information Available: Tables S1 and S2 provide total electronic energies, zero point energies, thermal correction to 298 K, and the coefficients of truncated Fourier series expansions for internal rotation potentials for three target species. Tables S3, S4, and S5 illustrate the contributions from hindered internal rotations to $S(T)$ and $C_p(T)$ values and the entropy corrections for mixing of the rotational conformers at the different temperatures for the three chlorinated ethyl hydroperoxides. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

References and Notes

(1) Wallington, T. J.; Hurley, M. D.; Schneider, W. F.; Sehested, J.; Nielsen, O. J. *Chem. Phys. Lett.* **1994**, *218*, 34.

(2) Wallington, T. J.; Hurley, M. D.; Schneider, W. F. *Chem. Phys. Lett.* **1996**, *251*, 164.

(3) Catoire, V.; Lesclaux, R.; Schneider, W. F.; Wallington, T. J. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **1996**, *100*, 14356.

(4) Knyazev, V. D.; Slage, I. R. *J. Phys. Chem.* **1998**, *102*, 1770.

(5) Sun, H.; Chen, C.-J.; Bozzelli, J. W. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **2000**, *104*, 8270.

(6) Lay, T. H.; Krasnoperov, L. N.; Venanzi, C. A.; Bozzelli, J. W.; Shokhirev, N. V. *J. Phys. Chem.* **1996**, *100*, 8240.

(7) Chandra, A. K.; Uchimaru, T. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **1999**, *103*, 10874. (8) Frisch, M. J.; Trucks, G. W.; Schlegel, H. B.; Gill, P. M. W.; Johnson, B. G.; Robb, M. A.; Cheeseman, J. R.; Keith, T.; Petersson, G. A.; Montgomery, J. A.; Raghavachari, K.; Al-Laham, M. A.; Zakrzewski, V. G.; Ortiz, J. V.; Foresman, J. B.; Cioslowski, J.; Stefanov, B. B.; Nanayakkara, A.; Challacombe, M.; Peng, C. Y.; Ayala, P. Y.; Chen, W.; Wong, M. W.; Andres, J. L.; Replogle, E. S.; Gomperts, R.; Martin, R. L.; Fox, D. J.; Binkley, J. S.; Defrees, D. J.; Baker, J.; Stewart, J. P.; Head-Gordon, M.; Gonzalez, C.; Pople, J. A. *Gaussian 94*; Revision D.4 ed.; Gaussian, Inc.: Pittsburgh, 1995.

(9) Sun, H.; Bozzelli, J. W. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **2001**, *105*, 4504.

(10) Sun, H.; Bozzelli, J. W. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **2001**, *105*, 9543.

(11) Scott, A. P.; Radom, L. *J. Phys. Chem.* **1996**, *100*, 16502.

(12) Khachkuruzov, G. A.; Przheval'skii, I. N. *Opt. Spektrosk.* **1974**, *36*, 299.

(13) Pauling, L. *The Nature of the Chemical Bond*; Cornell University Press: Ithaca, NY, 1947.

(14) Cox, J. D.; Pilcher, G. *Thermochemistry of Organic & Organometallic Compounds*; Academic Press: London, New York, 1970.

(15) Pedley, J. B.; Naylor, R. D.; Kirby, S. P. *Thermochemical Data of Organic Compounds*, 2nd ed.; Chapman and Hall: London: New York, 1986.

(16) Frenkel, M.; Kabo, G. J.; Marsh, K. N. *Thermodynamics of Organic Compounds in the Gas State*; Thermodynamic Research Center, Texas A&M University: College Station, TX, 1994.

(17) Lay, T. H.; Bozzelli, J. W. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **1997**, *101*, 9505.

(18) Chen, C.-J.; Bozzelli, J. W. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **2000**, *104*, 4997.

(19) Manion, J. A. *J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data* **2002**, *31*, 123.

(20) Benson, S. W. *Thermochemical Kinetics*, 2nd ed.; Wiley Interscience: New York, 1976.

(21) Chen, C.-J.; Wong, D.; Bozzelli, J. W. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **1998**, *102*, 4551.