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REACH SVHC Communication to Customers

Dear Customer,

European Regulation N°1907/2006 "REACH" (Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals), came into force on June 1st, 2007 (See: <http://www.reach-compliance.eu/>). It aims at regulating the use of the chemical substances within the European Union.

Following the ECHA submission of a first priority list of Substances of Very High Concern, posted on the ECHA web site on June 30th 2008 (See: http://echa.europa.eu/consultations/authorisation/svhc/svhc_cons_en.asp), we have carefully checked the chemical products used within our premises and our subcontractors for the manufacturing of our products, taking into account, as requested by the REACH regulations, both the finished goods and their packaging.

Although the obligation of communication to customers will start on January 2011 only, we are pleased to inform our customers that, until now and to the best of our present knowledge, only very few of these substances could be present in our finished goods and packaging.

In fact out of a list of 16 substances only 5 could be contained in some of ST finished goods, some in trace quantities, some as component of the chemical products used during fabrication, while 1 substance could be contained in our packaging, only. These substances are the following:

Substance	CAS	Content in the finished good
Bis (2-ethyl(hexyl)phthalate) (DEHP)	117-81-7	In traces
Diarsenic trioxide	1327-53-3	< 0.1 %
Hexabromocyclododecane (HBCDD)	25637-99-4	< 0.1 %
Cobalt dichloride	7646-79-9	In traces in some packaging only
Dibutyl phthalate	84-74-2	< 0.1 %
Benzyl butyl phthalate	85-68-7	In traces

This list will be updated in as much as ECHA will communicate any changes to the official list.

As per our previous communication, we have a system in place to ensure that all substances present in the products we purchase will be registered, for the intended use, by our suppliers, where required under the Reach Regulation.

Should you need further information, please, do not hesitate to contact your sales representative.

Best Regards
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