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Statement on "Substances of Very High Concern" (SVHC) according to the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)

Dear Sirs,

The products that we provide have been legally defined as articles under REACH-Regulation and, therefore, we have the duty to provide information along the supply chain.

According to Art. 33 of the REACH-Regulation, any supplier of an article has the duty to provide information about any substance of the candidate list-SVHCs contained in the articles supplied or imported, which contain such a substance in a concentration above 0.1% (weight by weight) of the article, providing enough information to allow the safe use of the article.

We are keeping in touch constantly with our own suppliers to keep this information updated. Until now, we have not received any information about candidate list-SVHCs contained in our products whatsoever. On the other hand, we pay maximum attention to the updates of the List of Substances of Very High Concern (candidates to be included in Annex XIV), to keep this information updated.

Therefore, we assume that **our products do not contain any of the candidate list-SVHCs above the concentration limits set forth obliging us to inform customers**, except for brass fasterners and accessories which have lead (Pb) according to the standards of the materials.

Waste Framework Directive establishes that Suppliers of articles must provide information to SCIP database on articles which contain Candidate List substances in a concentration above 0.1% w/w. We already sent our notifications to this database. SCIP numbers communication for affected articles will be sent at the request of the customer.

We will inform you immediately about relevant changes in our products.

Quality Department