

Baesweiler / Arques la Bataille January 2017

Dear Customer,

With our letter form October 2008 we informed you about our activities regarding the new EU chemical regulation REACH (1907/2006, **RE**gistration, **A**uthorization and Restriction of **CH**emicals).

We are now in the period of registration. The registration is made by the manufacturer or importer of the chemicals and has to be made, depending an annual volume until 2018 (quantities from 1 to 10 to/year).

In our different fields of activity, the situation is as follows:

- 1. As a coater we received confirmation of **all** our suppliers (manufacturers and importers in Europe) that necessary action has been (pre-registration) or will be (registration) for **all** products we buy from them.
- 2. Substances and preparations that we import ourselves have all been preregistered by ourselves. As quantities don't exceed 10 to/year, the deadline for registration is 2018 and we continue work on this together with our extra-European suppliers.
- We are a converter of thermal transfer ribbon qualities, which are manufactured in non-EU countries, but purchased from European suppliers. All suppliers confirmed us to take the necessary steps. One supplier holds that thermal transfer ribbons are no subject to the REACH regulation, but guarantees nevertheless further availability of his products. Today, all other suppliers confirmed that necessary action has been taken.
- 4. We ourselves import thermal transfer ribbon qualities, manufactured outside Europe. Written supplier confirmations are present regarding the completed pre-registration / registration in process.

Further availability of all products offered by us is from today's viewpoint ensured.

If your customers ask about the conformity of the used products with REACH, you can confirm this from today's viewpoint for all qualities supplied by us.

Further we confirm, that in none of the ribbon qualities offered by us, **Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)**, are contained on the basis of the current list published by the chemical agency on 12th January of 2017 (173 substances, the list is avalaible on the website of the ECHA : http://echa.europa.eu/fr/candidate-list-table).

Detailed composition information of the ink layers are of course confidential and will not be communicated by our suppliers. This letter should have to be sufficient as confirmation for further questions of your customers.

We will continue to inform you about our procedures and if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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