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To whom it may concern

EU REACH Declaration 2020 – Extension to 209 SVHC

Dear Sirs and Madams,

We are obliged to inform our customers and business partners in accordance with Art. 33 (1) of the REACH Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, provided that a **Substance Of Very High Concern** (SVHC definition according to REACH Art. 57 and 59) with >0.1 percent by mass (w/w) is contained in a product delivered by us. The list of the SVHC - expanded from 205 to 209 substances on the 25th of June 2020 - is published on the homepage of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA): <https://www.echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>.

It goes without saying that we take our duty to provide information very seriously, both in our own interest and against the background of high delivery and product safety! We comply with the legal requirements according to Art. 33 of the REACH regulation as follows: We are in contact with suppliers of relevant (partial) articles that are processed in our products and ask for immediate and binding information about if listed SVHC with >0.1% by mass are contained in the (partial) articles. Because of the recent addition of four SVHC, we carried out an intensive supplier survey, as always.

We already referred to **Lead** (CAS No. 7439-92-1) in our previous REACH declarations. Lead is at a concentration of partly >0.1% by mass per (partial) article in some of our products contained, especially in the PTC heating element. However, we apply the EU RoHS permitted exemptions regarding Lead, namely 6(a), 6(b) (respectively 6(a)-I, 6(b)-I, 6(b)-II according to the EU RoHS exemptions change in June 2019), 6(c), 7(a), 7(c)-I and 15 - based on RoHS Directive 2011/65/EU Annex III+IV. Furthermore, according to our evaluation, two of our suppliers use **Lead Titanium Zirconium Oxide** (CAS 12626-81-2), whereby we also use the above-mentioned permitted RoHS exemptions. According to their own information, three of our suppliers use the following **Siloxanes** for Silicone seals/insulation with, under certain circumstances, >0.1% by mass: D4 (CAS 556-67-2), D5 (CAS 541-02-6) and D6 (CAS 540-97-6). Our most recent evaluation showed that one supplier uses **Imidazolidine-2-Thione** (CAS 96-45-7) and another one **N,N-Dimethylacetamide** (CAS 127-19-5) with a concentration of >0.1% by mass.

According to our current state of knowledge and based on the most recent information from our suppliers so far, we can currently rule out that the (partial) articles that we purchase from our suppliers contain further SVHC with >0.1% by mass. Should you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

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