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REACH Compliance

As a global supplier of electronic and electrical components, Hammond Manufacturing is fully committed to meeting established compliance dates established by REACH regulations.

The Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals Regulation, otherwise known as REACH, came into force on June 1, 2007. (Please consult the text of the regulations for registration timetables and deadlines.)

Hammond Manufacturing is primarily a supplier of articles which do not have any intentional release of chemical elements. To date we have not identified any of our products which will require pre-registration.

We are aware that the European Chemical Agency has identified a candidate list of substances that are under consideration for inclusion in Annex XIV as Substances of Very High Concern (SVHCs). We are working actively with our downstream suppliers to identify any SVHCs that may be present in our raw materials. As the initial candidate list itself is in the process of being finalized, we expect that it may take until early 2009 to determine our full compliance.

Sincerely,

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