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Dear Sir or Madam,

The European Chemicals Regulation REACH (1907/2006/EG) came into force on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2007 and reformed the European chemicals law. It means that as of 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008 substances that are either produced in quantities of at least one ton per year or are imported into the European economic market may not be placed on the market without prior (pre-) registration unless they are exempt from registration.

At Phoenix Contact a team is in charge of the required activities in order to fulfil the requirements resulting from the REACH regulation.

Phoenix Contact is a downstream user in terms of article 3 cipher 13 of the REACH regulation as well as manufacturer of articles and is not responsible for (pre-) registration of substances or substances in preparations.

Furthermore REACH demands the registration of substances in articles with intended release under normal and reasonably foreseeable conditions of use.

According to article 33 and 57 of the REACH regulation the supplier of an article has to inform the downstream users about substances of very high concern which are contained in a concentration of more than 0,1 weight% in preparations and articles.

In order to guarantee high product safety for our customers and for the sake of legal compliance we are presently checking the implementation of the REACH regulation according to the candidate list dated 28<sup>th</sup> October 2008.

According to our present knowledge Phoenix Contact does not use any substances in our manufacturing processes which are part of the present candidate list dated 28<sup>th</sup> October 2008.

We have been in close contact with our suppliers for a long time and will meet our obligation to provide information as soon as we become aware that our products are notifiable according to article 33 of the REACH regulation.

We will meet our obligations according to REACH article 33, if further substances of content of our products (starting with a content of more than 0,1 weight%) are classified by the European chemicals agency to be of special concern, as soon as we obtain respective information from our suppliers. The required exchange of information will be supported by selective inquiries within the delivery chain.

The fulfilment of all legal regulations is an inherent part of our certified Integrated Management System.

We are continuously striving to meet all relevant legal regulations across the whole life cycle of our products. This especially includes the information related to environment protection, quality and occupational health and safety towards our business partners and public authorities.

In case of any further questions please contact:

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