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Dear Supplier,

Request for information on substances of very high concern (SVHC) in your articles, according to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH), and on substances listed in the California Proposition 65

REACH¹ is the European regulation on Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals. It entered into force in 2007, replacing the former legislative framework for chemicals in the EU.

The REACH Regulation applies to chemical substances on their own, in preparations/mixtures or in articles. Under REACH, **article** is defined as an object, which during production is given a special shape, surface, or design, which determines its function to a greater degree than its chemical composition. Articles that are assembled or joined together in a new article (complex article) remain articles for REACH purposes.

The REACH regulation requires suppliers of articles to communicate information about substances that exist in their articles, and that have been identified as "substances of very high concern" (**SVHC**).

According to Article 33(1) REACH, suppliers of articles have to inform the recipients of articles about SVHC contained in these articles above 0.1% weight by weight (w/w). Suppliers have to provide sufficient information, as available to them, to allow safe use of the article, including, at minimum, the name of the SVHC.

All substances identified as SVHC are listed in the Candidate List (see website of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) at www.echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table), to which further substances are added usually twice a year. Supplier should inform the recipients of an article that contains a newly identified SVHC above 0.1% (w/w), as soon as the substance has been included in the Candidate List.

To know which substances may be included in the Candidate List in the near future, you can consult the public consultations on substances already proposed for inclusion in the list² and the Registry of Intentions to prepare a dossier for identification of an SVHC³ on the ECHA website.

¹ Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC.

² <http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/proposals-to-identify-substances-of-very-high-concern>

³ <http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/registry-of-current-svhc-intentions>



California Proposition 65⁴, officially known as the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, protects the California' drinking water sources from being contaminated with chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm, and requires businesses to inform Californians about exposures to such chemicals.

Under California Proposition 65, it is required to provide information about parts/products sold to another company and containing any Proposition 65 substances that the end user or an employee could be exposed to, under normal parts/products use, in order to provide warnings to the end users or to employees, as needed. The current Proposition 65 List is available at <https://oehha.ca.gov/proposition-65/proposition-65-list>.

As a supplier, you supply Netafim with SKU's as detailed in the attached excel file.

To ensure our trade continuity in the EU market and our compliance with Proposition 65 requirements, we kindly ask you to:

1. Provide us with the information according to Article 33(1) REACH and regarding substances included in Proposition 65 list, **using the attached excel file**. In case an SVHC and/or a Proposition 65 substance is present in a product, please specify in which part of that product.
2. To provide us with the required information please **complete and sign the attached statement**. Alternatively, you may provide us with an equivalent, officially signed statement, as long as it is updated and contains this specific information.
3. Inform us regarding any newly identified SVHC above 0.1% (w/w), as soon as the substance has been included in the Candidate List, if it is contained in any substance /mixture /part supplied by you to "Netafim".

Please fill the required information in the attached documents and send them duly signed to Reach.Statement@netafim.com

For any question you may have, please contact:

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Thank you for your cooperation.

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⁴ HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE – HSC, DIVISION 20. MISCELLANEOUS HEALTH AND SAFETY PROVISIONS [24000 26250] CHAPTER 6.6. Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 [25249.5 - 25249.14]