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## REACH & decBDE Statement

Hope Industrial Systems, Inc. is committed to ensuring all of our products conform to the most recent safety standards. Since many of the electronic and mechanical components used in the manufacturing of our products come from worldwide sources, we rely upon declarations of conformity from our suppliers.

We actively pursue our suppliers to ensure that all of our components, sub-assemblies, and metalwork remain up-to-date and are in accordance with the most recent standards.

REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals) is a regulation covering the manufacturing and import into EU of hazardous chemicals. EC 1907/2006 Article 33.1 of the REACH regulation states that "manufacturers and importers of articles (products) are required to notify their customers of the presence of any Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) in their products exceeding 0.1% by weight."

ECHA guidance documents suggest two methods of obtaining the necessary information to check compliance – 1) Pro-active requests in the supply chain; or 2) Chemical analyses. The ECHA guidance documents also declare that chemical analysis is only helpful in certain situations and may yield ambiguous results and be very costly, thus not recommending that as the preferred instrument of obtaining information. Therefore, we are continuing to depend on pro-active requests in the supply chain.

We make proactive requests of 100% of our component suppliers every 12 months in order to keep our certifications up to date with the latest candidate list of SVHC's. At this point in time, a small portion of our suppliers do not have information regarding the most recent additions to the candidate list of SVHC's since it takes some time for this information to make its way down the supply chain.

As a result of our inquiries to all suppliers, Hope Industrial Systems, Inc. can declare that is it not aware of any SVHC's in its products in a concentration exceeding 0.1% by weight. This declaration is transmitted solely upon the information which our suppliers have provided to us.

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