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REACH, request for confirmation on pre-registration and disclosure of your REACH contact

Dear Supplier,

As you are aware, REACH (**R**egistration, **E**valuation, **A**uthorisation and **R**estriction of **C**hemicals) legislation entered into force on 1st June 2007. REACH places greater responsibility on the industry to manage the risks that chemicals may pose to the health and the environment. In effect this means that manufacturers and importers of chemicals must identify and manage risks linked to the substances they manufacture and market. They must provide their downstream users with the risk information they need to use the substance safely. Manufacturers and importers need to demonstrate that they have appropriately done so by means of a registration dossier, which must be submitted to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA, www.echa.europa.eu).

The first Step in REACH is pre-Registration. Manufacturers and importers must pre-register substances that are already on the EU market in quantities of 1 tonne or more per year, if they want to benefit from transitional arrangements that allow registering them at a later stage. The pre-registration period is limited from 1 June 2008 to 1 December 2008. Transitional periods from 3.5 to 11 years will be granted under the REACH Regulation in order to perform comprehensive registration tasks.

As downstream user of your products, in order to secure future supply, it is essential to us that you will pre-register the substances we are currently buying from you. Therefore we would like to receive your confirmation that you are actively working on REACH pre-registration of these substances. Please also disclose your REACH contact person in your organisation (name, department, address details, contact details such as e-mail address, telephone and fax number).

We have created REACH@matthey.com for efficient (up- and downstream) communication on REACH and kindly ask you to respond to this letter via this e-mail address within 2 weeks from receipt.

Moreover we will be communicating news on REACH via our Web site, www.colour.matthey.com.

Yours faithfully,

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