



CINCH REACH STATEMENT

December 2013

Dear Customers,

The Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals Regulation ("REACH") became effective as of June 1, 2007. The European Union ("EU") enacted REACH in order to ensure that substances that are either manufactured within or imported into the EU have been properly evaluated, registered and the method of safe use is effectively communicated to the end-user. The European Chemicals Agency ("ECHA") was established as the agency to administer and enforce the new regulations.

REACH applies to all substance ("chemical elements and their compounds in the natural state") that are manufactured or imported into the EU. These substances may be in either their natural state or as part of an article or product (e.g. connectors, cables, etc.). Compliance with REACH is depended upon whether a company either exports articles into the EU or maintains operations in the EU.

For products that are exported into the EU, the following are the three primary criteria that determine whether or not registration, notification to the ECHA or Substances of Very High Concern ("SVHC") communication to customers is required.

1. The subject substance must be intentionally released under normal conditions of use. Further, the substance being released must be present in those articles in quantities in excess of 1 metric ton per year per producer/importer. To the best of our knowledge and belief, cinch Connectors does not produce any articles that fall under this criterion and therefore is not required to register any of its products with the ECHA.
2. Any company that either exports into our manufactures products in the EU whose products meet certain conditions must notify the ECHA of such. The timeline for notification to the ECHA begins June 1, 2011. At this time, Cinch Connectors does not anticipate that nay of its products will meet the conditions requiring such notification. Of course, we will continue to assess our products with respect to this requirement and act accordingly.
3. As of June 20, 2013, the ECHA has proposed 144 substances to be included as SVHCs. Manufacturers and importers of articles (products) are required to notify their customers if any of these SVHCs are present in those articles (products) above concentration of 0.1% weight by weight. (Article 33)

Cinch Connectors will notify its relevant customers upon discovery that any of our Cinch products to be exported into the EU contain an SVHC above the defined concentration values. Cinch Connectors is committed to compliance with government regulations and industry standards for the protection of the environment as well as continually striving to meet the needs of our customers.

We thank you for your continued interest in Cinch Connectors, Inc. and look forward to expanding our business relationships.