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Subject: Tyco Electronics' Process to Address REACH

Dear Tyco Electronics Customer:

In response to your inquiry regarding Tyco Electronics' activities relative to REACH, the European Union Regulation concerning the Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals, please be advised of the following:

Tyco Electronics is fully aware of the European Union REACH regulation which came into force on 1st June 2007. We are aware that the six month pre-registration phase commenced on 1st June 2008. Although Tyco Electronics is principally a supplier of articles which do not require registration, we have been actively pursuing a process of contacting our suppliers of "substances, preparations, and articles" to ensure that all necessary pre-registration and subsequent registration requirements are complied with in the required timescales. This effort extends to all materials used by Tyco Electronics that are within the scope of REACH and with regard to the applications in which the materials are used in our products. We have undertaken this activity with the objective of ensuring that there will be an ongoing supply of all materials used in Tyco Electronics' products and processes and consequently no interruption in the supply of products to our customers.

Tyco Electronics is also aware that the European Chemical Agency (ECHA) has recently identified a list of 15 substances that are under consideration for inclusion in Annex XV as Substances of Very High Concern (SvHCs). We have already determined that the vast majority of our products do not contain any of these SvHCs above the threshold of 0.1% by weight. We expect to complete the assessment of the remaining small subset of our portfolio by December 2008.

Should you have any additional questions, do not hesitate to contact your Tyco Electronics Sales Engineer.

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