

Dear Sirs.

We thank you for your request regarding the application of Article 33 of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restrictions of Chemicals (REACH) further to the publication of the candidate list according to Article 59 REACH on 28 October 2008. We are aware about our legal obligations and will comply with them.

Our REACH project will review the candidate list as it is updated and extended by the ECHA over time.

In the event of a SVHC being found in our products, HellermannTyton will inform relevant customers on request. A risk assessment of the effect of the SVHC material on the HellermannTyton product will be made. The outcome will either be substitution of the substance or provision of suitable and sufficient information to the user to resolve any perceived hazard posed.

Current knowledge available to us on the presence of substances included in the candidate list above a concentration of 0.1% weight by weight in our articles (our range of PVC tubing, sleeves and markers) is as follows: DEHP (CAS No 117-81-7), these polymers contain the substance ranging from 24% to 35%. We are in constant dialogue with our suppliers in order to gather further information.

From the present information available the presence of DEHP in the finished product (as the hazardous ingredient is safely bound up in the solid phase and not freely available) does not present a raised level of hazard to users so will have no effect on the product's use.

Disposal of waste product via normal routes for incineration, recycling or reuse.

At the present time we intend to continue with the use of DEHP and monitor the REACH requirements.

We intend to co-operate with, and assist our customers, agents and distributors to ensure that our products end uses are included in the appropriate exposure scenarios, subject to commercial confidentiality restrictions.

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