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**Declaration Regarding Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and the Council Dated 18 December 2006 Concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) Published on 30 December 2006 in the Official Journal of the European Union 396/1.**

Dear Sir or Madam

We acknowledge receipt of your letter concerning compliance with Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH) and submit the following information:

- On 01 June 2007, the new EU Chemicals Regulation (REACH) came into force. According to the aforementioned regulation the Parker Hannifin Manufacturing Germany GmbH & Co. KG, Low Pressure Connectors Europe is considered a downstream user. Of course we will comply with all statutory requirements imposed on us by the REACH Regulation.
- REACH lays down duties and obligations concerning the conveyance of information along the supply chain. Unfortunately, many companies are unclear as to what these informational duties and obligations mean in concrete terms. This often results in the situation that companies along the supply chain request each other to confirm the "REACH conformance" of their products and to complete respective documents. Such declarations, however, are not laid down in this form by the REACH Regulation and do not serve the purpose of complying with the prescribed communication obligations within the value chain. Such declarations merely result in a considerable workload for the companies concerned without generating either legal certainty or any other real benefit for the parties concerned. Therefore, we would like to briefly describe the type of information which you are to receive from us as a downstream user according to the provisions of the REACH Regulation.
- You purchase steel, brass, aluminum or plastic products from us. According to the REACH Regulation, these products are articles. According to Chapter 2, Article 3 (3) of the REACH Regulation an article is an object which during production is given a special shape, surface or design which determines its function to a greater degree than does its chemical composition.
- As a supplier of articles, we are obligated to inform you about substances of very high concern if such substances are contained in products you purchase from us at a concentration of more than 0,1 % weight by weight. Parker Hannifin Manufacturing Germany GmbH & Co. KG, Low Pressure Connectors Europe does not use materials after present examination knowingly in the production processes, which are contained in the present list of candidates. We stand since longer in the close contact with our supplier and our duty to supply information we will fulfil, as soon as and as far as we determine that our products needs to be reported in accordance to the article 33 of the REACH regulation.
- As soon as any substance, which is contained at a concentration of more than 0,1 % w/w in a product you purchase from us, should be included as a Substance of Very High Concern in Annex XIV of the REACH Regulation we will automatically inform you thereof in accordance with the requirements of REACH.



- Furthermore, the REACH Regulation requires producers of articles to register substances in their articles if a total of more than 1 tonne of a particular substance is contained per year and per producer and the substance is to be released under normal and reasonably predictable use conditions, in other words if the substance is released intentionally and in conjunction with the article's function. However, in the case of articles produced by Parker Hannifin Manufacturing Germany GmbH & Co. KG, Low Pressure Connectors Europe there is no intentional release of substances.
- Consequently, as a producer of articles, we neither have the right nor the obligation to register substances in our products and, for the same reason, are unable to inform you of a registration number for our product. Under the REACH Regulation registration numbers in general are issued only for substances but not for preparations or even articles as a whole.
- In any event, however, we can assure you that we are aware of the new requirements established by the REACH Regulation. This also means that it is in our own best interest to exchange the required information with our own suppliers and that we are in the process of doing so. Of course it is our aim to ensure that all our products continue to be available to you under REACH as well.

Yours faithfully

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