



## BEA CONFORMITY

### TO EUROPEAN REGULATION: REACH

Angleur, November 12<sup>th</sup> 2008

Dear Sirs,

The European Regulation N°1907/2006 on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization of Chemicals (REACH) came into force on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2007.

Under the REACH Regulation, all substances (as such and in preparations), which are manufactured or imported in volumes of 1 ton or more per year, will need to be registered or pre-registered.

The pre-recording phase of all chemical substances or preparations will be closing on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008.

Registration deadlines are:

- 1st December 2010 for substances > 1000 tons per year
- 1st June 2013 for substances > 100 tons per year
- 1st June 2018 for substances > 1 ton per year

This regulation imposes duties on companies and may limit the use of certain chemical substances. REACH also requires communicating to authorities and between companies and their suppliers.

More details on:

- European Chemicals Agency (ECHA): <http://echa.europa.eu/>
- REACH guidance: <http://guidance.echa.europa.eu/>

In the supply chain described by REACH and based on BEA use of those substances and preparations, we are qualified as a downstream user of substances and preparations.

BEA meets legal REACH obligations and will continue to take the appropriate actions. We are engaged in a dialogue with our suppliers to ensure that all substances and preparations used by our company will be pre-registered and registered by our suppliers, in accordance with REACH requirements, to avoid any problem in the supply chain.

BEA is not manufacturing any substances nor preparations.

Yours Sincerely



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