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Dear Customer,

in the past few months many new questions have come up regarding the European Union (EU) regulation, REACH. This regulation is in addition to and separate from RoHS. REACH stands for, Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals.

Under this directive, chemicals being imported into Europe at 1 tonne per year or more will need to be registered through the European Chemical Agency (ECHA). During the period between June 1, 2008 and December 1, 2008 importers had an opportunity to pre-register chemicals which will allow the EU to collect data. From this date a Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) were selected for Authorization. Substances that appear on the Authorization List can, after a transition period, only be used if a specific authorization is granted. This list has been updated several times and there are currently 201 substances on the Candidate list. This includes the addition of regulation selected substances for Authorization by ECHA/PR/20/02 on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

GIVIDI Fabrics does not sell chemicals, as defined by REACH, to its customers. According to the REACH regulation Section 3, No. 3. GIVIDI Fabrics' technical fabrics, as sold to its customers, are considered articles that do not require registration. REACH Section 3, No. 3. defines an article as a product which during the fabrication process, obtains a specific form, surface, or build which is more important to the customer application than the chemical structure for this function.

GIVIDI Fabrics further certifies that to the best of its knowledge none of its products contain any of the 205 substances on the Candidate List at a concentration  $\geq 0.1$  % (w/w).

GIVIDI Fabrics believes it has no requirement to register or pre-register any of its products as sold to its customers, in accordance with REACH. GIVIDI Fabrics is committed to ensuring environmental compliance globally and will continue to stay informed of changes to the REACH directive and comply as necessary.

More information about REACH can be found on the ECHA website, including a guidance document on articles: <http://echa.europa.eu>

Sincerely,



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