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Dear REACH Contact

## <u>Ref: Directive (1907/2006) Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals.</u>

According to the European Union REACH regulations Stanley Black & Decker is defined as a "downstream user". Furthermore, the products that we manufacture and sell are defined as "articles" and as such we confirm:

- 1. Stanley Black & Decker is committed to identifying and managing its REACH obligations and communicating the necessary information within its supply chain.
- The European Chemical Agency (ECHA) reviews and publishes its Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) twice per year. Following publication of the updated list, we communicate with our supply chain to determine if any SVHC's are present in the articles that Stanley Black & Decker supplies to its customers.
- 3. There is a potential for Lead cas number 7439-92-1 to be contained in our brass components above the 0.1% w/w limit.
- 4. If Stanley Black & Decker is notified, due to future commercialised products or following publication of an updated ECHA Candidate List, that SVHC are present in its products, Stanley Black & Decker will communicate this to its customers.
- 5. No substances included in Annex XVII of REACH which are subject to Restriction are used in products placed onto the EU market by Stanley Black & Decker.

Please be assured that all necessary steps will be taken to comply with the requirements of the REACH regulations.

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