

## **REACH Regulation**

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Dear Customer,

as you know, REACH Regulation 1907/2006 covering the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and restriction of Chemicals came into force on 1 June 2007.

The regulation is mainly directed towards the producers and importers of chemicals, but also contains certain provisions that involve the distributors and users of these substances, known as "downstream users".

Pursuant to the REACH Regulation, **EVCO Srl** is categorized as a downstream user and, in particular, as a "user of substances" and a "producer of articles", where "article" is defined by the regulation as any product, component or semi-finished item.

We are therefore writing to inform you that:

- 1. The articles supplied by **EVCO Srl** are not subject to the provisions of the REACH Regulation and cannot be classified as "articles intended to release substances".
- 2. **EVCO Srl** cannot be classified as a producer/importer pursuant to the REACH Regulation and, accordingly, is not required to pre-register/register the substances used in its production processes.
- 3. **EVCO Srl** has started to perform all the activities needed to comply with the applicable provisions of the REACH Regulation. In particular:
  - Establish communications channels with the upstream supply chain in order to determine if the substances used will be pre-registered/registered by the related importers and producers; ensure that the specific use made by **EVCO Srl** is included in the registration dossier and the exposure scenario (where applicable), and identify possible alternative suppliers with a view to assuring the continuity of supply.
  - Perform research and develop processes and alternative substances should the regulation restrict or forbid the use of certain substances by the market, with a view to guaranteeing the continuity, quality and performance of the products/components supplied to the customers of EVCO Srl.
  - Evaluate the substances used in the articles supplied to you, to identify and inform you, pursuant to art. 33 of the REACH Regulation, about the presence of any substances exceeding the allowed concentration (0.1% by weight) that will be classified as SVHC (Substances of Very High Concern) and included in each "Candidate List" updated version (Annex XIV to the REACH Regulation).

For any further information, please contact the REACH manager:

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