

total distribution of electronic components

To Whom It May Concern: **<u>Re: European Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, REACH Regulations</u></u>**

We thank you for your recent enquiry regarding the above regulations and the steps that **Merefield's Electronics** Ltd. are taking to ensure we fully meet any obligations we may have. As a responsible supplier to many major manufacturing customers and a franchise for many of the major electronic component suppliers, we have reviewed the regulations to understand our responsibilities.

As a distributor of electronic components Merefield's Electronics are not involved in any manufacture or design of the products we supply. We do not produce 'substances' (chemicals) or 'preparations. Please note that electronic components are classed as 'articles' within the regulations. We have assessed the regulations and as electronic components are not designed to intentionally release substances during their life cycle, we have no registration responsibilities. We note that we are also classed as an 'importer' under the regulations as we introduce 'articles' into the EU.

I can confirm that we will contact our suppliers to establish that they are aware of their obligations under the directive and to ensure that any substances that appear on the regulations 'candidate list' or 'SVHC (substances of very high concern) list' (currently 224 SVHCs) are identified and notified where appropriate. Where necessary we will communicate this to our customers accordingly.

The Candidate list can be found through the link below

https://echa.europe.eu/candidate-list-table

The undersigned will be the contact within Merefield's Electronics Ltd for any issues relative to REACH and is contactable by email at <u>REACH@merefields.com</u>

This statement will be updated accordingly as and when new information becomes available.

Quality Assurance Team Merefield's Electronics Ltd.

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