

**Statement about
Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals (REACH)
Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)**

Dear Customer,

As of June 2007, the European regulation (EC) 1907/2006 concerning the **Registration, Authorization and restriction of Chemicals (REACH)** entered into force.

Art33 requires that sufficient information must be provided to the customer by the supplier to allow safe use of a delivered article in case it is containing **Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)** above threshold of 0.1 weight by weight.

REACH & SVHC affects all industries.

Connect Group as a subcontractor is aware of this legislation

We are also aware of the European Court of Justice ruling of September 10th, 2015 stating that, in case of 'complex articles', the threshold for a SVHC must be applied to both the product as a whole and simultaneously to each of the articles forming part of its composition

Connect Group assembles parts by mechanic and soldered connections

Connect Group produces in line with the specifications and the Bill of Material provided by our valued customer. This Bill of Material is locked in our MRP system by our engineering.

Components compliant to REACH & SVHC regulation are defined in the initial customer Bill of Material, during the development and release of the customer drawing.

When Connect Group orders components, we clearly request on the order that the parts need to be compliant to REACH & SVHC regulation.

The supplier has to inform us about the problem if this requirement is not fulfilled.

We did not receive any remarks from our suppliers. (Notification request)

During income inspection of the components at Connect Group, we check the delivered part number versus the requested part number in the order. In that way Connect Group can guarantee, that we use the parts as requested in the initial Bill of Material of the customer. If parts are chosen in the initial customer Bill of Material, which fulfill REACH & SVHC regulation, the end product will fulfill this request.

Connect Group has and uses no products that are in conflict with the REACH & SVHC regulations.

We would appreciate very much:

- if you could check, especially when defining new components in the Bill of Material, that these components and materials also meet REACH & SVHC regulation
- if you could inform us about the status (REACH & SVHC compliant or not) when sending us your product specification and BOM.

For your info, please find attached some useful links:

- <http://economie.fgov.be/reach.htm>
- <http://ec.europa.eu/echa/>

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