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**Subject:** REACH Substances of Very High Concern

REACH stands for Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals. It entered into force on 1 June 2007. Liberty Steel & Wire Company certifies that the steel billet, rod and wire products that we supply are classified as "finished products" in accordance with the REACH guidance documentation. Accordingly, these products are classified as "articles" which do not contain substances intended for release. In accordance with the REACH regulations, products classified as "articles" are not required to register their constituent "substances" (nor pre-register). Therefore, there are no registration requirements for Liberty Steel and Wire Company products that are imported into the EU.

Liberty Steel & Wire Company produces steel billets, rods and wire products using the Electric Arc Furnace ("EAF") process. The scrap metal feedstock contains substances which are listed SVHC under the current REACH regulations. During the production process the vast majority of these undesirable substances are removed. However, there are trace amounts of these substances in our billets, rods and wire products.

Liberty Steel and Wire Company does not operate manufacturing operations in the EU and does not act as an importer of steel billet, rod and wire products into the EU. For these reasons, Liberty Steel & Wire Company is not required to register under Reach.

Please contact us if you have questions, or require additional information.

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