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Dear Customer,

## Subject: Implementation of the REACH Regulation by Tadiran Batteries

The European Union (EU) has adopted regulation No. 1907/2006, also known as the REACH (Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals) regulation, which became effective 1st June 2007.

## **REACH contains the following regulations:**

- 1. From 1 June 2008, manufacturers of substances, and importers of substances as such or of substances in preparations (mixtures) into the European Community (EC) and the European Economic Area (EEA), must register these substances with the European Chemicals Agency if the substances in question are being manufactured or imported in quantities of at least 1 t/a and if they are not substances that are exempted from compulsory registration. So-called "phase-in substances" these are, for example, substances that are shown on the existing substances list EINECS can be preregistered between 1 June 2008 and 1 December 2008. Pre-registered substances do not have to be registered until later, depending on the quantity manufactured/imported.
- 2. Suppliers of substances and preparations must provide the recipient with either a safety data sheet (Article 31) or safety information (Article 32). In certain cases, the safety data sheet will be supplemented by an annex ("extended safety data sheet") showing the relevant exposure scenarios.
- 3. Manufacturers and importers of articles that contain more than 0.1 mass percent per article of a substance on the "Candidate List" shall provide the professional recipient and on request a consumer of the article with sufficient information to allow safe use of the article, including, as a minimum, the name of that substance. If all these articles contain more than 1 t/a a notification to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) is necessary, however, not before 1 June 2011.
- 4. From June 1st 2008, users of chemicals (substances and preparations/mixtures) so-called "downstream users" will have to comply with other obligations, but in some cases only after they have received an extended safety data sheet. Downstream users can provide appropriate information so as to assist the manufacturers of substances and importers of substances and preparations in registering them.







## Implementation by Tadiran:

Tadiran Lithium Batteries are considered as articles (not chemicals) which are not intended to release any substance under normal and reasonably foreseeable conditions of use. Consequently, the obligations in No. 1 and 2 above are not relevant here.

The first Candidate List of 15 substances was published on October 28, 2008. The relevant obligations are described under No.3. As soon as the relevant data are available from the supply chain, we keep our customers informed. However, as far as we know, at present, our articles do not contain any substances above 0.1 mass-percent per product that is listed on the candidate lists published so far. Currently the Candidate List includes the 191 SVHC materials, published in the following lists:

- A list published on 2008/10/28
- A list published on 2010/01/13
- A list published on 2010/06/18
- A list published on 2010/12/15
- A list published on 2011/06/20
- A list published on 2011/12/19
- A list published on 2012/06/18
- A list published on 2012/12/19
- A list published on 2013/06/20
- A list published on 2013/12/16
- A list published on 2014/06/16
- A list published on 2014/12/17
- A list published on 2015/06/15
- A list published on 2015/12/17
- A list published on 2016/06/20
- A list published on 2017/01/12
- A list published on 2017/07/07
- A list published on 2018/01/15
- A list published on 2018/06/27

Through communication with our chemicals suppliers, we will try to safeguard the delivery of all chemicals which are necessary for us.

This statement is based on the ZVEI Info 36/2008 guide to responding to inquiries about REACH.

Sincerely,

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