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## Subject: REACH compliance

Dear customer

BKS Kabel-Service AG understands that materials used in its production process, are subject to the obligations established by REACH directive (EC Regulation 1907 / 2006).

In addition, REACH classifies the main final products of BKS as follows:

- Cables (both energy and telecom): articles not intentionally releasing substances
- · Compounds: mixtures (preparations)
- Accessories: articles not intentionally releasing substances
- · Optical Fiber: articles not intentionally releasing substances

In the light of REACH requirements, these products - as not being "substances" - are not requested to be registered. Nevertheless, they have to be produced with registered substances.

If you realize that the products we supply to you do not strictly fall in these 4 categories, please inform us, we will make a specific verification.

At the time being, BKS is taking the necessary actions to ensure that materials purchased are put on the market by their respective suppliers in compliance with their relevant REACH obligations, with the aim to avoid provision disruptions.

In case there is evidence that some of its suppliers are not acting (and / or will not) for a complete REACH compliance, BKS will take - as long as possible  $\cdot$  any action necessary for the continuity of production and sales.

REACH also focuses on a specific group of hazardous substances, named "Substances of Very High Concern" (SVHC), by establishing specific obligations regarding them. A list of VHC Substances called "Candidate Substances" is updated twice per year by ECHA (the European Chemicals Agency). The presence of such substances in products put on the market, should be notified to the customer if exceeding the 0,1% by product weight.

At the best of our knowledge, we have no evidence that any of the "Candidate Substances" belonging to the last version of the "Candidate Substances List" released in December 2014, may exceed the 0,1% of the weight of the products we supply to you.



For any question or communication, please refer to this:

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Best regards

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