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CUSTOMER INFORMATION #13

EU Regulation REACH - Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals

iC-Haus is a manufacturer and supplier of integrated circuits and microelectronic systems which according to the EU regulation REACH[1] are classed as "articles". As iC-Haus articles do not give off substances under “normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions”, they do not need to be registered under REACH. “Normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions” for iC-Haus articles includes storage, processing/assembly and operation in keeping with the conditions given in the relevant article specifications and applicable accompanying documents.

Semiconductor technology is one of the branches of industry which has a far-reaching global distribution of work and services. An extensive network of national and international suppliers and service providers is thus also indispensable to iC-Haus. In order to ensure a reliable supply of products iC-Haus has defined its position to its suppliers and taken necessary steps regarding the implementation of REACH. The following roles and measures shall be mentioned here:

Procurement of articles
iC-Haus only procures articles which – like iC-Haus' end articles – do not release chemical substances on proper use and are thus not subject to registration. This applies to acquisition both within and outside the EU, in which iC-Haus adopts the REACH role of "importer of articles".

Procurement of preparations
During assembly iC-Haus processes substances which are defined by REACH as "preparations". Examples of these are adhesives, fillings and coatings and solder paste. In the obtaining of these preparations iC-Haus focuses solely on suppliers based within the EU or who have an "only representative" role according to REACH so that availability is not threatened.

Information on potential SVHCs
Independent of the registration process iC-Haus is obliged to inform its customer as stipulated in Article 33 of the REACH regulation, if products contain Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC; REACH Article 57) in a concentration of at least 0.1% weight by weight.
The obligations became operative with the first SVHC list published October 10, 2008 (http://echa.europa.eu) and have been put into practice by iC-Haus according to the respective current SVHC list[2].
Since currently no iC-Haus products fulfil the above criteria the customer information is published on our website www.ichaus.de/support_rohs_reach.php only resp. individually on request.
Additionally our delivery notes contain relevant information on RoHS and REACH.

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[1] Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of December 18, 2006, concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH).

[2] Updated ECHA candidate list of SVHC substances as per June 2012

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