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Dear Valued Customers:

Re: European REACH Regulation Compliance Letter

This letter establishes the opinion of Corey Steel Company regarding the status, under the current European Union ("EU") Regulations on Registration, Evaluation, Authorization, and Restriction of Chemical Substances ("REACH")¹, of the product Corey Steel Company supplies to your organization in the United States, with the understanding that your organization may subsequently send this product to the EU. We have no hesitation in concluding that, under these circumstances, the products we provide to your organization meet the criteria for an "Article" under REACH.²

Corey Steel Company is not required by REACH to register or pre-register the substances used in "preparations" that are sold outside of the EU. In addition, Articles are exempt from the REACH requirements if (a) the Article does not contain a substance of very high concern or candidate substance in an amount exceeding 0.1% weight by weight, and (b) if substances present in the Article in excess of 1 ton per year per importer are not expected nor intended to be released. Neither of these conditions apply to Corey Steel Company products or similar Articles. Therefore REACH does not require Corey Steel Company to register, pre-register, notify, or communicate the substances contained within the Articles that Corey Steel Company supplies to your company.

We trust that you will find this letter fully responsive to your request. Should you have any further questions, or if we may be of assistance in any other way, please, do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Corey Steel Company

¹ European REACH Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 (December 18, 2006).

² See Article 3(3))

³ See Article 7(1)