

CM CRESCENT MANUFACTURING

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

PLEASE CONSIDER THIS LETTER CONFIRMATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING DIRECTIVES:

COMPLIANCE WITH THE ELV, WEEE & ROHS II DIRECTIVE

OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THE MAIN CONCERN IS FOR FOUR HEAVY METALS, CADMIUM, MERCURY, LEAD, AND HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM.

CADMIUM IS THE REQUIRED PLATE ON MANY MILITARY PRINTS. AS WE MANUFACTURE TO THE SPECIFICATIONS OF THE PRINTS WE WILL CONTINUE TO FURNISH THESE PARTS WITH CADMIUM PLATE. THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR THIS PLATE TO DATE.

CRESCENT CAN ALREADY PROVIDE MERCURY FREE CERTS UPON REQUEST. NO MATERIAL WE PROVIDE CONTAINS ANY MERCURY.

LEAD IS PRESENT IN THE ALLOY 260 BRASS MATERIAL THAT WE NEED TO MANUFACTURE FROM. THIS IS ONLY A TRACE AMOUNT AND IS WELL BELOW THE U.S. LIMITS FOR LEAD. OUR MATERIAL CERTS INDICATE A READING OF <.01 LEAD. THE DIRECTIVE ALLOWS UP TO 4% BY WEIGHT.

HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM IS ALSO NOT AN ISSUE. EFFECTIVE 7-1-05 OUR PLATERS HAVE ALL CONVERTED TO BE HEXAVALENT FREE.

STAINLESS STEELS, ALLOY STEELS, AND MILD CARBON STEEL DO NOT CONTAIN ANY OF THESE ELEMENTS AND ARE THEREFORE COMPLIANT WITHOUT EXPLANATION.

POLYBROMINATED BIPHENYLS, POLYBROMINATED DIPHENYLE ETHERS, AND DECA BROMINE DIPHENYL ETHER, ARE ALL PLASTICS RELATED AND AGAIN NOTHING THAT CRESCENT USES IN OUR PRODUCT THEREFORE NOT APPLICABLE.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE EUROPEAN UNION REACH REGULATION

CRESCENT'S PRODUCT WOULD ONLY FALL UNDER THE "ARTICLES WITH NO INTENDED RELEASE" CATEGORY. THE ONLY SUBSTANCE PRESENTLY USED ON OUR PRODUCT THAT IS ON THE **POTENTIAL SUBSTANCES OF VERY HIGH CONCERN**, AS OF THIS DATE, IS CADMIUM. CADMIUM IS THE REQUIRED PLATE ON MANY MILITARY PRINTS. AS WE MANUFACTURE TO THE SPECIFICATIONS OF THE PRINTS WE WILL CONTINUE TO FURNISH THESE PARTS WITH THE CADMIUM PLATE. THIS BEING SAID THE PARTS ARE STILL COMPLIANT TO THE REACH REQUIREMENT OF LESS THE .1% WEIGHT VS WEIGHT.

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COMPLIANCE WITH CONFLICT MINERALS PER DODD-FRANK ACT

CRESCENT HAS SENT LETTERS TO ALL OUR RAW MATERIAL AND PLATING VENDORS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONFLICT MINERALS REQUIREMENTS OF THE DODD-FRANK ACT AND HAS BEEN INFORMED BY ALL THAT NO MATERIAL PROVIDED TO CRESCENT COMES FROM ANY OF THESE COUNTRIES. TIN IS THE ONLY ELEMENT THAT IS IN ANY OF THE MATERIALS AND PLATING PRESENTLY SUPPLIED BY CRESCENT. OUR RAW MATERIAL AND PLATING VENDORS HAVE CONFIRMED COMPLIANCE WITH THE ACT. CRESCENT HAS ALSO ADVISED THESE VENDORS THAT A STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WILL BE REQUIRED ON ALL CERTS EFFECTIVE 11/1/13.

COMPLIANCE TO THE PFOS DIRECTIVE INCLUDING PFOA

PERFLUOROOCTANE SULFONIC ACID AND THE RELATED COMPOUND PERFLUORO-OCTANOIC ACID ARE BOTH SUBSTANCES THAT CRESCENT HAS NO ASSOCIATION WITH IN ANY OF OUR PRODUCTS OR OUTSIDE PROCESSES. THESE ARE MAINLY RELATED TO THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY AND HAVE NO CONNECTION TO OUR FASTENER PRODUCTS.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE HALOGEN FREE MANDATE

THIS MANDATE IS NOT APPLICABLE. WE MANUFACTURE NOTHING THAT WOULD CONTAIN HALOGEN, CHLORINE, OR BROMINE.

AGAIN, PLEASE MAKE NOTE THAT ANY MILITARY PARTS THAT REQUIRE CAD PLATING WILL HAVE TO BE SUPPLIED AS SUCH. ANY PARTS ORDERED WITH ZINC PLATE WILL BE PROVIDED WITH ZINC ALL HEXAVALENT FREE. NO PART SUPPLIED BY CRESCENT CONTAINS ANY OF THESE SUBSTANCES ABOVE THE LIMITS BY WEIGHT OF THIS REGULATION.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE ABOVE, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME DIRECTLY.

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