



Copper State Bolt & Nut Co.

Your Fastener Specialist

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Supplier Practices to meet REACH conformance standards

Copper State Bolt & Nut Co. hereby submits the following to our valued customers in relation to the European Union regulation no. 1907/2006 on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization, and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) regarding the disclosure of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC). The current list of SVHCs can be found at <http://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>, most recently updated on June 20, 2013 containing 144 substances.

As a matter of routine practice Copper State establishes relationships with our supplier base to ensure quality products, adherence to applicable standards & specifications, reliable service, and competitive pricing. We value these relationships with companies that share our interest in ensuring that our customer needs are met with regard to product and material conformance. While we are not aware that any of our standard products contain SVHC materials, we are not in a position to offer a blanket statement of conformance to this directive.

For those customers that require REACH conformity, and provide written notice of such requirement on their purchase order and/or request for quotation to Copper State, we certify that specific materials purchased for those customers will be purchased from suppliers that can provide REACH conformance certificates. We can therefore be assured that the products our customers receive are compliant to the directive, and the current list of 144 substances as of June 20, 2013. To the extent that additional documentation or certification needs to be provided, on an item by item basis, we will make that documentation available to your purchasing department as applicable.

Copper State is increasingly aware of the global supply trends to monitor product content, material origin, and other factors such that the product in the marketplace meets safety, health, and human rights objectives. We appreciate the continued support of our customer and supplier bases, and will continue to respond to supply chain needs.

If you require additional information we encourage you to discuss your needs specifically with your local Copper State sales or branch office, or to contact our Corporate office at 602-272-2384.

Thank you,

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