



Taubensee

Steel & Wire Company

August 9th, 2024

To our Valued Customer,

Subject: REACH Compliance Statement

This letter serves to provide information on the European Union's ECHA (European Chemicals Agency) REACH regulation as it applies to Taubensee Steel & Wire's (TSW) hot rolled and cold finished bar and wire products. REACH stands for Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals. It entered into force on 1 June 2007.

TSW is a producer of cold drawn steel products. TSW does not operate any manufacturing facilities within the EU nor directly imports material to the EU. Steel products are defined as 'articles' under the current REACH regulation and therefore do not require registration with REACH.

TSW's input raw material consists of hot rolled steel coils from various suppliers. These suppliers have reviewed their operations and reported that no substances listed as Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) on the Candidate List under the current REACH regulation are intentionally added to the steel during production*. Due to the steel making processes' use of scrap metal as an input material, originating from various sources, our steel suppliers cannot certify that these elements or their compounds are not present at a trace level. Safety Data Sheets (SDS) provided by our raw material suppliers do not contain any substances on the Reach Candidate List. Certain SVHCs, originating from soaps and drawing lubricants, may be present at a residual level on the surface of finished cold drawn steel products supplied by TSW.

To the best of TSW's knowledge, products supplied for use by your company contain no SVHCs in concentrations exceeding the European Union regulatory limits.

*TSW produces certain steel wire and bar products from free cutting leaded steel grades. These leaded steel grades contain lead up to 0.35% by weight. Lead (CAS no. 7439-92-1) is included on REACH's list of SVHCs.

Sincerely,

Taubensee Steel & Wire Company