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To Suppliers Affected

Subject: European Union (EU) Regulation on Chemicals (REACH)

This awareness letter is an **important reminder** of the requirement of the **third and last registration of phase-in substances** to ECHA with the **deadline 2018-05-31**, see introduction and requirements below.

Please review your chemical substance inventory to ensure that all the products delivered to Aptiv have been pre-registered/registered. Failure to do this, you will not be able to sell any products to Aptiv.

Introduction

As of June 2007, the European **Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)** entered into force. REACH affects all industries, including the Automotive Industry (AI). As the AI is made up of vehicle manufacturers and many tiers of the supply chain, it has several roles and obligations under REACH. Action is required from the OEMs and suppliers.

One of the requirements of REACH is that manufacturers and importers have a duty to **register**, for each legal entity, substances on their own, or in preparations that they produce or import in quantities **over 1 tonne per year (per manufacturer/importer)**, unless the substance is exempted from registration. Registration requirements also apply to substance(s) intentionally released from articles under certain conditions, in which case the article producer/importer is responsible for the registration.

It is of key importance to take advantage of the **pre-registration** option in REACH. Pre-registration of substances on their own, in preparations, or substances intentionally released from articles have taken place between 1 June and 1 December 2008. However, under special conditions, a late pre-registration is still possible. **In case of pre-registration (only requiring basic data), you can benefit from the following deadlines for registration**, which depends on the tonnage band and hazardous properties of the substance:

- 30 November 2010,
- 31 May 2013, and
- 31 May 2018

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Requirement - 2018-05-31 - Deadline for Registration of phase-in Substances

Registration of phase-in substances in quantities over **1 tonne per year** (per manufacturer / importer) to ECHA. Without pre-registration, substances must be registered immediately. Without Registration, substances cannot be marketed in the EU. Pre-registration is free of charge and very simple, requiring only basic information.

Please consider that companies that do not comply with REACH will have no market. To be prepared for REACH, representatives of all the major vehicle manufacturers and the automotive supply chain around the world developed an "Automotive Industry Guideline on REACH" which can be used to get a quick overview of REACH, its requirements and the recommended actions arising. This guideline can be found at: www.acea.be/reach.

At this stage, we expect that **all substances, which require registration** (Deadline 2018-05-31) and that are contained in the products that you are supplying to us, will be **registered to ECHA by your company or by your supplier**. All "products" supplied to us are defined as Substances, Mixtures or Articles according to the REACH terminology. This "awareness/reminder" letter is the start of the communication in the Automotive Industry supply chain required by REACH.

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