



**NORTH AMERICAN
STAINLESS**

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Re: Informational Request -- Lead, Mercury, Cadmium and Hexavalent Chromium

Dear Valued Customer:

This letter responds to your recent request for information concerning the content of certain metals (*i.e.*, lead, mercury, cadmium, and/or hexavalent chromium, PBB, PBDE) in the products that we supply. These metals are neither present in measurable concentrations nor intentionally added to most steel products.

For certain products used in automotive applications, lead is present at levels below the threshold for an exemption under the European Union's End-of-Life Vehicle Directive (*e.g.*, leaded steel used to make Stainless Steels contains less than 0.35 percent lead by weight).

Accordingly, we therefore certify that, to the best of our knowledge, our products do not contain measurable levels of lead, mercury, cadmium, or hexavalent chromium and to the best of our knowledge, our products do not contain lead, mercury, cadmium, or hexavalent chromium in excess of the threshold levels provided in the European Union's End-of-Life Vehicle Directive and otherwise qualify for an exemption from the Directive's general prohibition.

North American Stainless also certifies that Stainless Steel meets the requirements of the RoHS directive. In addition, North American Stainless has registered with the IMDS (www.mdssystem.com) system for the use of Stainless Steel – Grade 409. The ID# is 8082058.

North American Stainless certifies that Stainless Steel is a 100% recyclable material.

If you have any further questions, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Shaver". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephen Shaver, M.E./H.S., C.S.I.H.

Corp. EHS Manager

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