



COMBINED METALS OF CHICAGO LLC

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Subject: European RoHS Directive

Dear Valued Customer:

On June 8, 2011, the European Parliament and the Council adopted Directive 2011/65/EC for the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment. The RoHS directive prohibits banned substances in products and equipment sold in the European countries as of January 3, 2013.

The six materials included in this directive and the maximum allowable weight limits are:

Cadmium – Cd	0.01%
Hexavalent Chromium – Cr VI	0.1%
Lead – Pb	0.1%
Mercury – Hg	0.1%
Polybrominated Biphenyl's – PBB	0.1%
Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers – PBDE	0.1%

All of the strip and sheet materials supplied to you by Combined Metals of Chicago are compliant with the RoHS directive.

As a result, there is no need for Combined Metals to develop and implement a plan to eliminate any of these prohibited substances. Additionally, the content of these substances in the compounds used to produce any of our alloys is negligible. There are no intentional additions of the referenced substances in stainless steel. The Chromium in our stainless is METALLIC form (zero-valent).

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