

The current Hazardous Substances Statement follows as page 2. This statement refers only to materials created by the Olin Brass “Mill Products” operation in East Alton. Materials purchased for resale by AJO, BMI, STS, Fabricating, etc., from other companies are not covered by this statement, nor are modifications (e.g., coating, plating, treating, etc.) to Mill Products materials made subsequent to shipment by Mill Products.

Although an independent laboratory has not certified that our products are RoHS compliant, the standards upon which we base our statement have been certified by independent laboratories.

During recent years, a number of documents — RoHS¹, ELV², and GADSL³ — have been issued that seek to limit certain substances that may be harmful to human health and the environment. In keeping with our quality policy — “Meeting customer expectations, with zero harm to the environment, 100% of the time” — Olin Brass supports these initiatives and recognizes our customers’ expectations regarding the disclosure of compliance information for the products we manufacture.

The products of Olin Brass are fully compliant with these initiatives given that:

- Organic substances such as polybrominated biphenyl (PBB) and polybrominated diphenyl ether (PBDE) cannot survive molten metal temperatures.
- Hexavalent chromium cannot exist in metal.
- Mercury and cadmium are never intentionally added to our products and exist only at trace or undetectable levels well below the initiatives’ thresholds of 0.1% and 0.01%, respectively.
- Lead is present only at trace or undetectable levels far below the initiatives’ threshold of 0.1% — unless an alloy’s specification requires the intentional addition of lead, and then only at levels below the 4% maximum granted by exemption.

Because the aforementioned documents lack specificity regarding the manner in which compliance is to be reported, many of those wishing to comply have designed their own unique reporting forms, devices, and software, many of which seek disclosure of substances far beyond the scope and intent of the initiatives. We regret that it is financially impractical for us to respond to such inquiries.

Instead, Olin Brass wants to report our compliance by providing readily available information, including component information, for the alloy products we produce. Olin Brass participates in the International Material Data System (IMDS). All of our products have been published in IMDS and may be accessed through that system. Further, to the best of our knowledge, all materials purchased by Olin Brass and used in product manufacture meet current governmental environmental, health, and safety (EH&S) constraints on restricted, banned, toxic, and hazardous materials.

And finally, Olin Brass offers product Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) that provide additional component information for all hazardous materials in conformance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200). These MSDSs may be accessed through the internet at:

<http://www.olinbrass.com/resources/msds/Pages/default.aspx>

¹ The Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) Directive, 2002/95/EC, as amended by the Commission Decision of 18 August 2005.

² The End of Life Vehicle (ELV) Directive, 2000/53/EC.

³ The Global Automotive Declarable Substance List (GADSL), V2.0, Released 2006-01-27.