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REACH "Article" and SVHC Declaration for Abaco Systems Products

The electronic products produced and offered by Abaco Systems are considered "Articles" under the definition of the European Union's Regulation N° 1907/2006 on the *Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals* (REACH) entered into force on 1 June 2007.

Within the REACH regulation (Article 3, paragraph 3) an "article" is defined as:

3) Article: means an object which during production is given a special shape, surface or design which determines its function to a greater degree than its chemical composition.

Current Abaco Systems products, as provided, do not intentionally release a chemical substance and, based on current information available, do not contain any substance meeting the criteria of a "Substances of Very High Concern" (SVHC)" in sufficient amount to trigger notification. As such, no registration or notification obligations exist for these products under REACH.

Should articles produced by Abaco Systems, be identified as containing SVHC substances identified on the ECHA "Candidate List" (*including future updates*), in a concentration above 0.1% (w/w), Abaco Systems will provide sufficient information, as available to us, to our customers and on request to a consumer within 45 days of the receipt of this request. This information will state safe use of the article and, at a minimum, include the name of the substance.

Further information on **Guidance for articles** and other associated guidance documents, can be found at: <http://echa.europa.eu/guidance-documents/guidance-on-reach>

Information on the substances currently included on the Candidate List can be accessed at: http://echa.europa.eu/chem_data/candidate_list_en.asp

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