



Statement

concerning the EU Directive 1907/2006/EC „registration, evaluation and authorization, and restriction of chemical substances“ REACH

For increasing the safety of human beings and the environment, a new chemical regulation was created and became effective at the June 1, 2007. It gives a standardised scope to the European chemical right and will influence strongly the current existing regulations.

According to REACH, all chemicals, which are produced in an amount of more than 1 t/a in Europe or which are imported, have to be registered.

The last registration deadline ended on June 1, 2018. Now all substances manufactured or imported in quantities of 1 t/year or more per company must be registered.

This means that information about risks and hazards has been determined and sent to the new chemicals authority in Helsinki.

Only substances, which are defined by REACH, have to be registered. Polymers like polyethylene or polypropylene are no substances and that is why they are excluded.

One of the primary objectives of REACH is to improve the exchange of information along the supply chain to ensure the handling of chemicals.

Gerodur neither manufactures chemicals (substances) nor preparations nor imports them into the EU. Therefore, our company is not required to register and does not need to carry out any pre-registration.

Gerodur MPM Kunststoffverarbeitung GmbH & Co. KG is a downstream user from the position of a polymer and master batch supplier. In the traders view Gerodur is an upstream user.

According to our suppliers, substances on the REACH candidate list of substances of very high concern (SVHC) are currently not used in the polymers supplied to us.

Gerodur MPM Kunststoffverarbeitung GmbH & Co. KG is well prepared to correspond to the new regulations, which will come with the initiation of REACH. An index of the substance inventory was established and furthermore contact persons were found along the supply chain. In our today's point of view all raw materials/substances, which are used for producing the polymers applied by us, are registered.

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