

Statement to "California Proposition 65 (CP 65)"

Dear Sir or Madam,

thank you for your request regarding the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (California Proposition 65).

We are pleased to declare as follows:

1. As far as we can, we observe current developments in the field of "Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (California Proposition 65)" as well as related aspects in order to be able to respond to any requirements.

Please note that our company does not fall within the scope of the California Proposition **65.** The key message of this regulation is as follows:

"No person in the course of doing business shall knowingly and intentionally expose any individual to a chemical known to the state [California; editor's note] to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity without first giving clear and reasonable warning to such individual [...]" (HSC § 25249.6¹)

It is a specific legal regulation of the US state of California. The "California Proposition 65" therefore focuses on affected economic operators in the US state of California.

In addition, it is our fundamental concern to pay close attention to developments in ethics, social and environmental standards.

- 2. For the supply of the raw materials qualified and trustworthy sources or distributors are very important for us. We have known our suppliers for years and they are familiar with our quality requirements. We are also in close contact with our suppliers.
- 3. We currently assume that according to the information available to us, the material of the products we supply meets the requirements of "California Proposition 65". As soon as we have any other information, we will inform you immediately.

We would also like to inform you that possibly occurring traces of the relevant substances in the materials of the supplied products are purely coincidental. They were **not added intentionally**. In fact it is often an unavoidable background contamination which is an undesirable side effect due to the high recycling rates of metals.

This statement applies only to the supplied product. Modifications of the product or material within the processing are thereby not covered.

For any further questions do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours Sincerely

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¹ http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes displayText.xhtml?lawCode=HSC&division=20.&title=&part=&chapter=6.6.&article