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RE: Directive 2002/95/EC and Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament on

the Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and

**Electronic Equipment (RoHS)** 

Avantor Performance Materials is a manufacturer of chemicals used in the Laboratory, Bio-Pharm, Chromatography and Microelectronics markets, and environmental protection is very important to us. Avantor Performance Materials facilities are certified under ISO 9000 and ISO 14000 and adhere to these guidelines.

After careful evaluation, Avantor Performance Materials has determined that the RoHS directive does not pertain to our products. This decision is based on our interpretation that the directive scope is for electrical and electronic equipment producers and resellers exclusively. Avantor Performance Materials is a manufacturer of reagents and blends used in the manufacturing processes to build electrical and electronic equipment. However, we do not supply assemblies, components or materials that make up the finished electrical or electronic goods.

Avantor Performance Materials will not be evaluating our products for the content of the hazardous substances beyond what is listed already on the Certificate of Analysis for our products. The trace metal testing that is performed on select products indicates that the levels of the tested impurities are significantly below the directive limits. The hazardous substances indicated in the RoHS Directive are not intentionally added to any of our products that are not Mercury, Cadmium, Lead or Chromium (VI) based. Polybrominated Biphenyl and Polybrominated Diphenyl Ether compounds, the other two hazardous substances listed in the RoHS Directive, are not part of our product offering.

For a complete list of the tests that we currently perform on any of our products, we would kindly request you to refer to our web site for a complete Certificate of Analysis at <a href="https://www.avantomaterials.com">www.avantomaterials.com</a>

Sincerely,

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