

Statement concerning PFAS

Dear Sir, Dear Madam

Bossard is aware of proposals put forward by the EU, USA to impose reporting, restrictions, stringent control measures or ban entirely use of PFAS materials.

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a group of synthetic chemical compounds that have multiple fluorine atoms attached to an alkyl chain. These substances in which the carbon-hydrogen groups on which all (Per-) or many (Poly-) of the hydrogen atoms have been replaced with fluorine (CF2 or CF3 groups). This includes discrete small molecules, monomers and short chain fluorochemicals which are used as part of a polymerisation process.

Within United States, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has finalized reporting and recordkeeping requirements for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) under the Toxic Substances Control Act TSCA 8(a)(7).

Within the EU, the proposal to extend REACH restrictions covers both small molecules and polymers.

Proposed regulation in the EU and the United States to restrict future PFAS usage, there are no current restrictions to use PFAS in our products.

We can, based on current knowledge state, that basically the following parts are free from PFAS which are made of:

Base material:

- Steel
- Stainless steel
- Non-ferrous metals

Coating:

Hot dip galvanization

On parts made from the base materials mentioned present consumables and corrosion protection may contain PFAS.

As this is an ongoing process, Bossard will continue to monitor PFAS regulatory developments and work closely with our suppliers in relation to any changes to the above and evolve accordingly to stay in compliance with the regulatory requirements.

We intend to update this statement whenever necessary.

Best regards,

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