

Attn. Purchasing Department & Regulatory Affairs

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GHS / CLP & SDS COMPLIANCE

Dear valued customer,

Thank you for your interest in our products.

As a company that distributes its' products worldwide, it is essential that any new or changing regulations impacting the requirements for their safe and successful transportation are implemented effectively to ensure continued global compliance.

GHS & CLP Regulations are currently driving the need to change how we label our products and present information on our **Safety Data Sheets (SDS)**.

GHS

The United Nations (UN) adopted the **Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS)** in 2003. This means that globally agreed criteria will be applied to evaluate the physical, health and environmentally hazardous properties of chemicals worldwide. GHS will contribute to increased chemical safety and facilitate global trade with chemical substances and products. In addition to criteria for assessment of the physical, health and environmentally hazardous properties of chemicals and mixtures GHS contains rules for product information, i.e. labelling and safety data sheets.

GHS in US & CA

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is responsible for regulating classification, labeling and material safety data sheets at workplaces in US.

In 1983 OSHA issued the Hazard Communication Standard (HCS), to ensure that the hazards of all chemicals produced or imported are evaluated and that information concerning their hazards is transmitted to employers and employees. As UN adopted the GHS twenty years later, series of rulemaking policies had been adopted by OSHA to align its HCS with the GHS on Classification and Labeling of Chemicals:

Examples of a major areas of change in **HCS 2012 (CA: WHMIS 2015)** are labeling requirements, such as signal word, pictogram, hazard statements and precaution statements; and specific format of safety data sheets.

All manufacturers and importers will be obliged to comply with the new HCS after June 1, 2015.

RAHN has started to classify all hazardous products sold, distributed or imported into US/CA according to US/CA-GHS and compliant SDSs are being created. The labels will be updated accordingly as soon as possible.

CLP in Europe

To align with GHS, Europe has introduced Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on the classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP Regulation). CLP will be fully implemented on June 1st, 2015. The main changes for users of chemicals will be the new pictograms with a white background that replace the orange ones in the EU.

RAHN has already classified all concerned products according to CLP and the information can be found in the Safety Data Sheets and on the labels.

We will make every effort to be a continuous supplier of safe, approved and sustainable raw materials as well as a reliable partner for our customer. Please feel free to contact us at any time for any question or additional information.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Phong Thai

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Thai', is positioned below the printed name.

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