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Thank you for your inquiry regarding REACH (EU Regulation No 1907/2006 on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals).

REACH is a European Union (EU) regulation that seeks to protect human health and the environment from exposure to hazardous chemicals. One of the main elements of REACH is the registration of chemical substances. "Manufacturers" and "Importers" of these substances (as defined in REACH) are required to provide information on the properties, uses and classification of their chemicals, and guidance on safe use, and to register the information with the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).

Since Sun neither manufactures nor imports chemical substances in quantities of one (1) ton or more per year, Sun is not classified under REACH as a Manufacturer or Importer of chemical substances, but rather as a "Downstream User" (i.e., using chemical substances in its industrial or professional activities).

As a general matter, Downstream Users, like Sun, are not required by REACH to register chemical substances used in their products. As a Downstream User, Sun's principal obligations will be: (i) to make sure that its use of substances is covered by the safety data sheets received from Manufacturers and Importers; and (ii) to follow the instructions in the safety data sheets and in any exposure scenarios accompanying them.

In addition, Sun shall pass onto its customers and resellers information concerning health, safety and environmental properties of chemicals, and risks and risk management measures received by Sun from its suppliers.

Under REACH Article 33 "Duty to communicate information on substances in articles", Sun is required to inform its customers and/or resellers whether Sun's products (Articles) supplied in the EU contain more than 0.1% (by weight per Article) of any substance(s) on the Annex XIV Candidate List; i.e., the so-called Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) list. Per that requirement, Sun provides the following information about these substances:

- A. External cables, power cords and power supplies/power adapters ordered as standalone products may contain the substance(s):
 - Bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP)
 - Butyl benzyl phthalate (BBP)

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above the threshold level of 0.1% by weight of the product (Article).

B. To the best of Sun's knowledge and belief, other Sun products do not contain any of the identified candidate substances above the threshold level of 0.1% by weight of the product (Article).

Sun continues to work with our suppliers to refine and improve the information we have about any SVHC substances in our products. Sun is aware of the latest additions to the Candidate List of substances and once that list is finalized and released will provide any additional information regarding those substances and Sun's products.

If you have any specific questions or concerns about Sun's REACH status, please communicate them to your Sun account executive.

NOTICE:

This response is generally not based on testing results, but is a good faith estimate principally based on engineering judgments derived from:

- (i) information developed at Sun;*
- (ii) information furnished by third parties, including manufacturers and component suppliers in Sun's supply chain; and*
- (iii) general industry information.*

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