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Medium-Chain Chlorinated Paraffins (MCCPs, C14-C17) Statement

To our Valued Customers:

Medium-Chain Chlorinated Paraffins (MCCPs) are synthetic industrial chemicals composed of chlorinated n-alkanes with a carbon chain length of C14 to C17 used in various products such as flame retardants, plasticizers, and lubricants in metalworking fluids. MCCPs are used as substitutes for short-chain chlorinated paraffins (SCCPs) due to the global elimination under the Stockholm Convention once their persistence,

 $bioaccumulation, \ and \ toxicity.$

However, MCCPs are still considered "regrettable substitutes" because their toxicological profiles and environmental fate are not fully understood, and studies show they can also cause health problems. Upon this, MCCPs (C14–C17) were added to the **REACH Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern**

(SVHC) in July 2021.

We, **Böllinghaus Steel**, hereby declare that to the best of our knowledge and based on information provided by our supply chain and process data:

> **No** MCCPs (C14-C17) are expected to be found in any article provided by us, in a concentration

above 0.1 % weight by weight (w/w) in the homogeneous material.

Our cold drawn profiles under 30 mm thickness **may contain** traces of MCCPs (C14–C17) in the

surface of the material.

We are currently working with our supply chain to seek safer alternatives and to minimize the use of substances listed.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any gueries regarding this letter.

Best Regards,

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