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## REACH Customer Response Letter Substances-Preparations UK

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### EU Regulation No 1907/2006 on the **Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)**

Date: September 2008

Corus has recognised the impact of REACH and has played an active role in establishing the steel industry response to the requirements of the new chemical substances regime through the European Federation of Iron and Steel Industries (Eurofer).

We have carefully and systematically identified our obligations under REACH and have established a dedicated team, led by a full-time senior REACH Manager, to ensure we fulfil our obligations in a timely and efficient manner.

Under REACH, the by-products and / or waste materials we supply to you are designated as substances (specific or UVCBs<sup>1</sup>) or preparations. The following declaration applies to the **substances or preparations** that Corus from all its legal entities supplies:

1. We confirm that we understand our obligations under REACH.
2. Our intention is that all substances either on their own or within a preparation that we supply to you, which require registration, will be pre-registered by 30 November 2008, by Corus or by an actor further up our supply chain.
3. If the substance or preparation we supply to you has been recovered from a waste stream then Article 2(7)(d) of REACH may apply, and therefore the substances may be exempted from registration on the basis that they have already been registered within the EU and their uses throughout the life-cycle taken into account during this process.
4. Our intention is to identify any substances or preparations that we supply to you that we will not pre-register on the basis that we regard them as waste and, as such, exempt under Article 2(2) of REACH.
5. We will provide you with a Safety Data Sheet if required according to the criteria of article 31 of REACH.
6. We are committed to ensuring that all reasonable uses of our substances, either on their own or in preparations, will be covered by the registration, but to help us to achieve this we may ask you to provide us with information about your uses and exposure scenarios. A failure to provide such information may result in your uses being inadequately considered.

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<sup>1</sup> UVCB = Substances of Unknown or Variable composition, Complex reaction products or Biological materials



As REACH requires effective communication throughout the supply chain, we have identified the following points of contact for our customers:

- For general information and day-to-day contact, normal account interfaces will be able to provide the relevant information.
- Within our business units, we have identified REACH coordinators, who will be able to deal with more specific questions.
- Our dedicated REACH team will be able to deal with the more difficult questions and ensure a uniform approach on matters with pertinence across more than one Corus business. To contact our REACH Team email [REACH@corusgroup.com](mailto:REACH@corusgroup.com)

In order that we can implement the requirements of REACH effectively, we rely upon the assistance of our downstream users. If you have assigned a REACH responsible person within your organisation, please inform us.

Many thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Corus REACH Team