

Oil 4 Less LLC statement concerning the

Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals

Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) is a European Union Regulation of 18 December 2006. Oil 4 Less LLC was formed in April 2001 and has conformed to the intent and spirit of that directive since 2001.

The European Chemicals Agency has set three major deadlines for registration of chemicals. In general these are determined by tonnage manufactured or imported, with 1000 tonnes/a. being required to be registered by 1 December 2010, 100 tonnes/a. by 1 June 2013 and 1 tonne/a. by 1 June 2018. In addition, chemicals of higher concern or toxicity also have to meet the 2010 deadline.

REACH also addresses the continued use of chemical substances of very high concern (SVHC) because of their potential negative impacts on human health or the environment.

A substance *may* be proposed as an SVHC if it meets one or more of the following criteria:

- it is carcinogenic;
- it is mutagenic;
- it is toxic for reproduction;
- it is persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic according to the criteria set out in Annex XIII to the REACH Regulation (PBT substances);
- it is very persistent and very bioaccumulative according to the criteria set out in Annex XIII to the REACH Regulation (vPvB substances);
- There is "scientific evidence of probable serious effects to human health or the environment which give rise to an equivalent level of concern"; such substances are identified on a case-by-case basis.

We can confirm that the Codatron™ High Voltage Shunt Regulators are not made of and do not contain such substances. Furthermore, at a mass of 0.2 ounces, the Codatron™ is far under the 1 tonne/a. limit.

We are therefore pleased to announce that all Codatron™ High Voltage Shunt Regulators are **fully REACH compliant**.