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Re: European RoHS & California SB 20/ SB 50

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To whom it may concern:

The RoHS directive aims to restrict certain dangerous substances commonly used in electronic and electronic equipment. Any RoHS compliant component is tested for the presence of Lead (Pb), Cadmium (Cd), Mercury (Hg), Hexavalent chromium (Hex-Cr), Polybrominated biphenyls (PBB), and Polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE).

California SB 20 and SB 50 contain both RoHS and WEEE-like provisions (since these directives were adopted by the EU, RoHS has become shorthand for regulating the hazardous substances used in electrical and electronic equipment, while WEEE refers to regulating the disposal of this equipment). The only substances restricted under SB 20 and SB 50 are "certain heavy metals", specifically lead, mercury, cadmium and hexavalent chromium. In contrast to the EU, California does not restrict PBB and PBDE.

Weld-On products do not contain any of the restricted materials listed in the RoHS, California SB 20 and 50 regulations.

