



To whom it may concern

Re: Application of REACH Regulation (CE n. 1907/2006) on steel products

The European Regulation CE n.1907/2006, regarding the **Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restriction for Chemical Products (REACH)**, which has come into force in June 2007, defines new rules in the management of chemical substances and promotes contacts between suppliers and downstream users of substances, preparations and articles.

With reference to the merchant bars manufactured within the Group, AFV Beltrame hereby highlights the following issues:

- The rolled profiles are considered articles, in which no substance is present that can intentionally be released during the normal or predictable use. No obligation for registration therefore applies (Art. 7 of the Regulation).
- The semi-products (billets, blooms) are considered articles not containing deliberately released substances, as defined in the Eurofer Position Paper dated 28/10/2008 and confirmed by ECHA in the document *A.1/DF/tk D(2009)3574 dated 02/09/2009* (therefore without any registration obligation).
- Our steel products are therefore exempt from the obligation of any safety data sheet (Art. 31 of the Regulation).
- None of the substances present in the supplied steel products is included in the annex XIV to the Regulation or in any "candidate list" of substances subject to authorization, issued by the European Chemical Agency - ECHA.
- No substance of very high concern (SVHC) is contained in our steel products.

AFV Beltrame will keep its customers informed on any possible evolution of this topic related to its products.

Should you need any further technical information, please contact our EH&S Office in Vicenza (e-mail: reach@beltrame.it)

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