

REACH
**CUSTOMER
INFORMATION**

SUBJECT: REGULATION (EC) No 1907/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), together with the Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) listed on the REACH Candidate List as published on the European Chemicals Agency (“ECHA”) website and updated until 10 June 2022.

NV Bekaert SA (“Bekaert”) wishes to assure you that it takes the changes associated with the REACH Regulation seriously. Bekaert is closely following the evolution of the REACH regulation and related guidance documents as published by ECHA.

All Wire products (including Industrial Steel and Steelcord wire), produced in:

- Europe: *BKZW – BKTX – BCAA – BKSA – BKBU – BKSR – BFUA – BKIZ – BKKT – BKSL – BKHL – BBUK – BKPE – BKBO – BKLP – BHTR*
- North America: *BKRG – BKVB – BKOR – BKRO – BWB*
- Japan: *BTMF*
- China: *BCSC – BJWP – BBSC – BJSC – BQWP – CBSC – BAP – BSAC – BSTC – BAMT*
- Indonesia: *PTBI – BSWK*
- India: *BIPL – BMWI*

(including packaging) are articles without substances intended to be released, based on the *Guidance on requirements for substances in articles* dated June 2017, as published by ECHA.

In respect of the aforementioned products, Bekaert’s role under the applicable REACH regulation is mainly (1) the downstream use of substances, mixtures and articles, and (2) the production of articles. As a result, Bekaert does not supply articles requiring submission of information in the SCIP – database which is established under the revised Waste Framework Directive 2008/98/EC.

Bekaert can confirm that it does not supply products with SVHC in concentrations higher than 0.1% weight by weight (w/w) included in the REACH Candidate List, nor included in the REACH Authorization List (Annex XIV). Bekaert monitors the REACH restriction list and confirms compliance with the restriction list as long as the end user is using our articles for the intended and legally approved uses (e.g. nickel-coated wire may not be used in articles intended to come into direct and prolonged contact with the skin).

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