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UK withdrawal from EU – UK-REACH implementation – continuation of DyStar® business

Dear valued customer.

The UK withdrew from the EU on 31 January 2020. As of 1 February 2020, the transition period provided for in the Withdrawal Agreement applied until 31 December 2020. During the transition period, EU law continued to apply to and in the UK. After the transition period ended the EU REACH Regulation was brought into UK law under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018. REACH, and related legislation, were replicated in the UK with the necessary changes to make it operable in a domestic context.

From 1 January 2021 the UK REACH and the EU REACH regulations operate independently from each other. Companies that are supplying and purchasing substances, mixtures or articles to and from the EU/EEA/Northern Ireland and Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales) need to ensure that the relevant duties are met under both pieces of legislation.

We herewith wish to confirm that DyStar is fully aware of the revision of the respective requirements. To ensure continuity of our UK business from 1 January 2021 on, the submission of Downstream User Information Notifications (DUIN) to UK-Health and Safety Executive (HSE) took place and covers the import volumes of earlier supply to our UK customers. Thereby DyStar benefits from transitional periods for the full UK substances' registrations. However, the full registration process already has started in parallel by submission of inquiries to HSE.

We will of course provide more detailed information on the UK-REACH registration status on individual chemicals of our commercial products to authorities, if there is a legal obligation.

With best regards

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