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Dear Sir or Madam,

From reports in the trade press and information communicated to us by our suppliers of primary materials, we have learned that, with effect from 1st March 2018, lead (metallic, CAS No 7439-92-1) has been classified within the EU as a Category 1A toxic substance as set out in the CLP Regulation.

We are therefore obliged to communicate this information to you as one of our customers. We attach the latest REACH statement for your perusal.

The machining steel ordered by you contains lead in quantities of $>0,1\%$. Occupational health and safety measures, which are already in force and are a requirement in the processing of leaded steel, of course continue to apply. Both our primary suppliers and we as secondary suppliers take our responsibilities for public health and environmental protection very seriously. Our primary suppliers have also informed us that they have brought the manufacture of their products into line with the existing approval requirements and that they are complying with their inspection obligations.

We are also of the opinion that lead as an alloying agent in steel is a well-established technology and that, due to its superior machining properties, it has significant advantages, both in terms of energy savings and of efficient production over other alloying agents and manufacturing processes.

If you have any questions relating to this matter, please feel free to contact us at any time.

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Manufacturer information

according to the regulation (EG) Nr. 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council
(REACH – Regulation)

We herewith confirm, that the products manufactured by us do not contain substances from the
Reach candidate list above 0.1%, with the exception of

Lead,

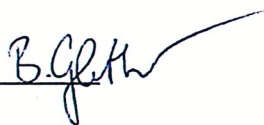
which may be present in some free cutting steels in amounts of up to 0.35%.

Details of whether your product contains lead are based on the agreed product specifications or
shown in the sent certificates.

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Date / Signature



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