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**European Environmental Directives: Norgren supply chain compliance assurance**

As part of our commitments towards ensuring legislative compliance and assisting our customers, we herewith provide compliance assurance information with respect to 3 particularly topical European Environmental Directives. These are:

- Directive 2002/95/EC: Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (RoHS)

The implementation timetables for these Directives will vary across EU countries, as will the exact requirements of the implementing regulations, however, the basic requirements will be common.

Norgren is fully aware of the aims of these Directives, which in general seek to reduce waste and make any remaining waste less hazardous. In doing this, they restrict or prohibit compounds that are potentially hazardous on long-term exposure, in large mass or on disposal. They also require product and/or packaging marking and the keeping of records.

Norgren has reviewed the Directives comprehensively and concluded that they apply directly to very few products that Norgren manufactures. As a result, we are pleased to confirm that plans and procedures are in place throughout Norgren to ensure compliance with the above Directives. Where appropriate, these plans include working with our supply partners to ensure on-going compliance as part of our wider quality management processes.

As a supplier to some of the world’s leading OEMs in their target sector, we appreciate that many of our customers integrate Norgren products into their larger solutions which will need to comply with the Directives even if the Norgren products, in isolation, do not. We therefore recognise the need to update our products and practices where appropriate to assist our customers achieve their compliance with new legislation and regulations.

I hope this letter provides you with the assurance that you require, but if you feel we may be able to assist further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Details of these directives are available at sources such as:

- [http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/waste/weee_index.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/waste/weee_index.htm)

• http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/lex/RECH_naturel.do
• http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/lex/RECH_menu.do?ihmlang=en
• www.envirowise.gov.uk