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## Customer Information REACH Regulation ((EU)1907/2006)

With this letter we would like to inform you that our products are not affected by the registration obligation according to regulation 1907/2006.

We trade with products made of steel or metals. These products are not subject to the REACH Regulation No. 1907/2006 of 18.12.2006. Steel as such is not a substance subject to registration; because Art. 3 No. 1 of the Regulation 1907/2006 defines the "substance" as "a chemical element and its compounds, whether in the natural state or obtained by a manufacturing process, including any additive necessary to preserve its stability and any impurity resulting from the process used, but excluding any solvent which may be separated without affecting the stability of the substance or changing its composition". This definition does not apply to steel. Consequently, steel is also not a "preparation"; because according to Art. 3 No. 2 of Regulation 1907/2006, these are "mixtures, blends or solutions consisting of two or more substances".

The alloying agent lead is a special case under the REACH Regulation. On 27 June 2018, lead (CAS number 7439-92-1) was added to the REACH candidate list as a substance of very high concern. According to Article 33 of the REACH Regulation, we are now obliged as a supplier of articles whose mass content of lead exceeds 0.1 percent to inform you as a customer that the products supplied contain lead. We fulfil this obligation by means of specific information in the article text for the articles concerned. The information appears on offers, order confirmations, invoices and online on our Metalshop www.brr.ch.

We hope that this information letter has demonstrated our responsible approach to the Regulation ((EU)1907/2006) and thank you for your attention and your confidence in Brütsch/Rüegger Metals.

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Yours sincerly

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