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## Customer Information

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### **Important Legislative Changes\_RoHS (2011/95/EC)**

We are writing to provide an update on the work Esser by Honeywell is doing to comply with the new RoHS legislation which has been effective for Fire Systems since 22nd July 2014 and for Voice Alarm Systems since 2nd January 2013 respectively.

#### **Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)**

The primary purpose of the RoHS Directive (2002/95/EC) is to restrict the use of hazardous substances in electrical products. Since 2006, the EU banned the sale of all new electrical and electronic equipment (EEE) containing designated maximum allowable levels of lead, cadmium, mercury, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyl (PBB) and polybrominated diphenyl ether (PBDE) flame retardants.

In June 2011, the updated RoHS directive (2011/65/EU) added new categories to the list of affected end products, including Category 9 - Monitoring and Control Instruments. These products were previously exempt from the directive but will no longer be exempt as of 22nd July 2014.

RoHS (2011/95/EC) is also part of a new legislative framework which affects CE marking and Declaration of Conformity, which has implications for manufacturers. It means that each product covered by ROHS must have technical testing and accompanying documents, including a Declaration of Conformity and CE marking affixed to the product.

*More information on RoHS can be found on the EU website [Here](#)*

#### **ESSER by Honeywell Approach**

As a responsible manufacturer, we are committed to achieving compliance with new EU legislation in the shortest timeframe possible. When the changes were introduced, we immediately set up a taskforce

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targeted with converting all of our products so that they become RoHS compliant. The team has been working closely with our suppliers to find viable and safe alternatives to all of the substances being phased-out under RoHS, ensuring that our products will achieve compliance with the Directive within the projected timeframe.

### Declaration of Conformity

As a result of this work, we can confirm that ESSER does not use any RoHS restricted materials during the manufacturing, storage or handling process. And to the best of our knowledge, the fire system products that we offer in our Product catalogues do not contain any chemical of concern above the limits designated in the original RoHS Directive or any of its amendments. Products labeled as CE are compliant with European Parliament 2002/95/EC and 2011/65/EU. Products previously labeled as RoHS also meet RoHS requirements.

We hope this clarifies our position on this matter. If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact our customer service center.

Yours Sincerely

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