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REACH Statement for Sponge Media products

Sponge-Jet Inc. have assessed their obligations under European Regulations 1907/2006 (REACH) and 1272/2008 (CLP) for the product line *Sponge Media™ abrasives*. We have consulted the *Guidance on requirement for substances in articles* published by the European Chemicals Agency – ECHA. In line with the different criteria's in the guidance, we have assessed that the physical design of Sponge Media is more important than the specific chemical composition of the product. In line with this, Sponge Media is found to fulfill the criteria for being characterized as an *article* under REACH.

As Sponge Media is defined as an article, there is no legal demand for (pre)registration of the product under the REACH-regulation. Articles are also exempt from the CLP-regulation. Thus it is not required to classify and label the product or to author a safety data sheet. Though not required, Sponge-Jet Inc. has however chosen to author a safety data sheet for the product in order to assure our customers safe handling of our products.

Development of Sponge-Jet's REACH STATEMENT

In compliance to Europe's Health and Safety Guidelines Sponge-Jet, Inc has had its Sponge Media evaluated by DHI in Denmark who are a leading authority in Europe for the Environment and Technology. In their opinion: "your products are articles according to REACH. Articles demand no MSDS in Europe, but we still recommend to have an MSDS as you are obliged to give information on safe use of your products"

Based on this evaluation and recommendations Sponge- Jet in conjunction with DHI's REACH expert authored the attached Reach Statement for Sponge-Jet, Inc.