

# **REACH Position Paper**

#### **About Lexmark**

Lexmark is a worldwide developer, manufacturer and supplier of printing solutions and products, including laser printers and dot matrix printers and associated supplies for the office and home markets. Lexmark products are considered Information Technology Equipment (ITE) for the purposes of various global certifications. These products are sold in nearly 150 countries around the world, and have the required country certifications for their import, sale, and intended use.

Lexmark has long supported global efforts to protect the environment. Lexmark strives to meet the requirements of worldwide sustainability programs, has earned ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001/ISO 45001 certifications at its development and manufacturing facilities worldwide, and supports and fully complies with the European Union's Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (RoHS) directive and the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) directive. Likewise, Lexmark is committed to support and comply with the requirements set forth in the EU Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals (REACH) regulation.

#### > Introduction: About REACH

REACH, the regulatory system for chemicals in Europe, aims to improve the protection of human health and the environment through enhanced control of the use and production of chemical substances. Lexmark will work closely with its suppliers to ensure product compliance with REACH. Lexmark products fall under the scope of the European Union REACH Regulation 1907/2006. For more information about REACH, please visit the following REACH web sites:

http://echa.europa.eu/home\_en.asp https://ec.europa.eu/commission/index\_en

### > Registration

Lexmark continues to work with our chemical suppliers to ensure there will be no impact to production, importation or delivery of any Lexmark manufactured printers or supplies. In some cases, the chemical suppliers have decided to act as the Only Representative for their chemicals and will cover all of Lexmark's imports and uses under their registration work. Where needed, Lexmark has an agreement with an EU company to be Lexmark's Only Representative to act on behalf of Lexmark for registration and Substance Information Exchange Forums (SIEF) participation for all chemicals imported into the EU by Lexmark at volumes greater than 1,000 kg per year.

Inks and toners contained in cartridges have been classified as preparations in a container. All chemicals contained in Lexmark manufactured ink, toner and dot matrix cartridges imported into the EU at greater than 1,000 kg per year are registered or exempt.

## ➤ Safety Data Sheets (SDS)

Lexmark has provided current SDSs on the Lexmark website for all products imported into the EU and is compliant with all relevant REACH regulations. The classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures has been adopted per EU CLP 1272/2008.

## Highlight: Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)

REACH requires Lexmark to provide customers with sufficient information on Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) contained in products in concentration above 0.1% weight by weight (w/w) to allow safe use of the product. The disclosures are valid for the specific date of the disclosure and may be updated with product changes or with additional substances being added to the EU REACH candidate list of substances (SVHC list).

Product disclosures are available upon request by emailing sustainability@lexmark.com