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## Possible ban of antimon trioxide as flameretardant

Dear Mrs Gross

We are writing to raise Leoni's concern as to the inclusion of antimony trioxide and antimony compounds in general to the list of high priority hazardous substances to be considered for inclusion in the EU RoHS Directive.

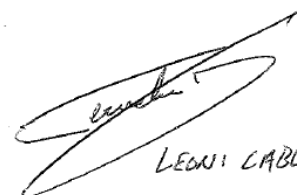
Leoni uses antimony trioxide and antimony compounds as flame retardant to manufacture cable , plugs and connectors for automotive , industrial and domestic applications .

Antimony trioxide has only recently been subject to an EU Risk Assessment. The conclusions from the final draft of the risk assessment report clearly indicates that it does not meet the criteria for high priority substances. Antimony compounds will be subject to further scrutiny under REACH, but as of now many antimony compounds are not even classified as hazardous.

We strongly support the response to the consultation from the International Antimony Association and would request that this will be taken into account.

Yours sincerely

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