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Betreff: Hazardous Substances in EEE

I have just been alerted to your study and consultation exercise regarding extension of the list of hazardous substances to be restricted under RoHS/WEEE Directives.

On behalf of my company, and also CEPE (European Coatings and Inks Industry Trade Association) I must register my strong objection to this "creep" of the intention of RoHS/WEEE. PPG Industries is a major. Global, coatings and chemicals company (second largest coatings company in Europe), and has significant sales to electrical and electronic equipment manufacturers.

The European REACH Regulation, with its far-reaching objectives, includes substantial processes for understanding and controlling the risk of exposure to hazardous substances. The Authorisation and restriction processes within REACH provide adequate methods for controlling or banning specific uses.

It is un-necessary, and a duplication of regulatory and enforcement effort, to further add to the substance list in RoHS.

Kind regards,

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