Position on RoHS and WEEE Compliance
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The European Union has adapted the “Restriction on Use of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment” (RoHS) and the “Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment” (WEEE) Directives. Arlon, Materials for Electronics Division, a leading company in Electronic Substrates and High Performance Laminates market, is committed to meet the RoHS and WEEE directives. Arlon’s product portfolio is compliant to RoHS and WEEE directives and has historically not contained the restricted substances. In addition, Arlon has restricted the use of Lead(Pb), Mercury(Hg), Cadmium(Cd), Hexavalent Chromium(Cr$_{6+}$), Polybrominated biphenyls (PBB), and Polybrominated diphenyl Ethers(PBDE) in future products.

The European Union has also announced a warning concerning a proposed ban on the introduction of materials containing Pentabromodiphenyl Ether, Octabromodiphenyl Ether and Decabromodiphenylethers. Arlon has performed a review and found that none of these referenced materials are utilized in any of our products.

Commitment to Compliance:
Arlon is able to advise that all Microwave Materials and Electronic Substrates are compliant with RoHS and WEEE Directives. Arlon will continue to work very closely with suppliers to insure all suppliers maintain their compliance with the RoHS and WEEE Directives. It is essential for Arlon’s suppliers/partners to understand and comply to the RoHS and WEEE directives.