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## SUBJECT: UK REACH Compliance Declaration

On the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021, the Brexit Transition period came to an end and the EU REACH regulation was brought into UK law.

The UK REACH regulation retains the key principles of the European REACH **R**egistration, **E**valuation, **A**uthorization, and restriction of **Ch**emicals (REACH) Regulation EC 1907/2006 on entered into force on June 1, 2007 though they operate independently from one another. The goal of REACH is to ensure the protection of human health and the environment from the risks that can be posed by chemicals.

This legislation will have significant impact on all manufacturers, importers and downstream users in the EU and requires registrations of chemical substances, preparations and articles with an intended release of substances. Suppliers operating outside the EU are asked to support this initiative by providing certain data regarding the hazards of the substances to ensure compliance.

## REGISTRATION

Aber Instruments Ltd. And its affiliates do not manufacture chemicals, preparations or articles that intentionally release substances under normal operating conditions. We are committed to fulfil our legal obligations under REACH and seek to uphold our role in the necessary communication network needed to support REACH compliance.

## **Restriction of Chemicals - Annex XVII**

Annex XVII of the REACH regulations imposes restrictions on hazardous substances in preparations or articles that present risks to human health or the environment. The restriction covers a wide range of applications. We certify that our products comply with the conditions of the restriction as defined in Annex XVII Titled "Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures and articles" dated June 26, 2009.

## Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) - Annex XIV

From Jan 2024 The ECHA (The European Chemicals Agency) announced 5 new chemicals to the list. **240** substances are now currently listed in the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for authorization. Any SVHC must not be used, manufactured or imported without the prior authorization of the ECHA. The "candidate list" will be updated and published periodically by ECHA as more substances are identified as SVHC.

Aber Instruments Ltd declares that the products we manufacture are not intentionally manufactured or formulated with compounds and substances above the 0.1% threshold by weight (unless stated) listed in the REACH document titled "Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorization".

The determination is based on information from sources & supply chains which we believe are reliable. Product users are responsible for determining the applicability of REACH and other related environmental regulations based on their individual usage of the final product.

Should you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. For and on behalf of Aber Instruments Ltd.:

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