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Dear Valued Customer,

We are writing concerning recent amendments to the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Rule 1168. As you may know, effective January 1, 2021, SCAQMD amended Rule 1168 to ban the use, supply, or sale of any product containing more than 0.01% of chloroform, ethylene dichloride, methylene chloride, perchloroethylene, and trichloroethylene.

The following products are not compliant with the methylene chloride/trichloroethylene ban:

- Weld-On #3
- Weld-On #4
- Weld-On #4SC
- Weld-On #16
- Weld-On 600

Also, effective January 1, 2023, SCAQMD lowered the permissible VOC limits for our solvent cements only as indicated below: (The remaining low VOC limits remain unchanged - see <http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-xi/rule-1168.pdf> for the applicable limits).

- PVC Welding Cement: 425 g/L
- Regular Body CPVC Welding Cement: 400 g/L
- ABS to PVC Transition Cement: 425 g/L.

Weld-On recently reformulated our solvent cements to comply with these 2023 VOC restrictions. Low VOC primers and cleaners comply with the low VOC limits. There is a 3-year sell-through and 4-year use-through provision for any products formulated under the prior VOC limits. Please verify the date of manufacture and total VOCs in g/L located on the product label before selling or using any product in the SCAQMD jurisdiction.

The amended Rule 1168 also requires manufacturers to inform independent distributors in writing that any product regulated by Rule 1168 that contains any restricted chemicals or does not meet the amended VOC limits in the rule is not to be used in the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

You must ensure these products are not sold into the South Coast Air Quality Management District. The jurisdiction of the South Coast Air Quality Management District is in Southern California and includes most of Orange County, Los Angeles County, San Bernardino County, and Riverside County; the exact cities can be found at: <https://www.aqmd.gov/nav/about/jurisdiction>.

Thank you very much for your attention on this matter.

Sincerely, *Danna Chamberlin*

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