Statement ROHS

This letter is a response to inquiries about the composition of our products in relation to the EU-Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS) Directive (2011/65/EU) and the associated EU-Directive (2012/19 /EC), to prevent and reduce waste of electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).

This information relates to bonded abrasive tools.

The RoHS directive regulates substances in electrical and electronic equipment. Bonded abrasives, super-abrasives, coated abrasives, and non-woven abrasives are not considered electrical or electronic equipment (EEE). Additionally, provided they are used with electrical or electronic equipment as intended, abrasive tools are temporary and replaceable accessory and not part of the device.

They are classified as wear parts and therefore do not fall within the scope of either the RoHS directive or the WEEE directive. This assessment has been verbally confirmed by the British Department of Trade and Industry (DTI). Also, this is consistent with the European Commission's Directorate-General for the Environment's response to the "Frequently Asked Questions" on RoHS and WEEE, page 10, May 2005 (about ink cartridges for printers being consumables and therefore not within the scope of RoHS).

