

## **REACH Statement**

Astute is an independent distributor of electronics components and is therefore a 'supplier of articles'. We understand our obligations under REACH in our role as "Supplier" of articles.

Under the terms of the REACH regulations, the electronic components that we distribute (primarily semiconductors, passive products and electromechanical parts) are referred to as 'Articles' as defined in REACH 3(3).

As there is no intended release of substances from the products sold by Astute, under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use, we have no need to register our activities with ECHA. We are not considered a manufacturer or downstream user of the products.

Astute does not intend to register any substances as we do not sell substances, preparations nor articles containing any substances that are intended to be released at any time. Therefore registration is not required.

We are aware of our responsibility to pass-on pertinent information relating to the manufacture of these devices, when communicated to us by the component manufacturers themselves or suppliers, and commit to abide by this request to the best of our ability. We request that all our suppliers provide declarations on parts purchased where appropriate.

We will monitor all further obligations with regards to Annex XIV (the "Candidate list") and Annex XVII ("Restriction of Substances"). Chemicals used in the components or the manufacturing of components sold by Astute are used at the discretion of the manufacturer and the relevant requirements of the REACH Regulation remain the responsibility of the manufacturer.

The latest list of SVHC (Known as the candidate list) can be found on the European Chemicals Agency website: <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>

With the recent U.S. EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) rules of PIP 3:1, regarding the regulation of products containing Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic Chemicals, including Phenol, Isopropylated, Phosphate, the above statement still stands.

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