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## RE: European Union Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS 2)

European Union directive 2011/65/EU recently entered into force, expanding the scope of the Restriction on Hazardous Substances (RoHS). RoHS 2 or RoHS Recast, as it is known in the industry, includes several types of electrical and electronic equipment that were outside of the scope of the original directive and places more requirements on economic operators to demonstrate compliance.

Ashcroft Inc. manufactures "industrial monitoring and control instruments" (category 9 per Annex 1). Category 9 devices enjoy a delayed entry into the scope of RoHS 2, to allow manufactures time to develop compliant and reliable products. Ashcroft Inc.'s products will enter into scope and must meet the restrictions by July 22, 2017.

During the interim, Ashcroft products comply with RoHS 2 per Article 4 paragraph 3. Additionally, many of our products may qualify for exemptions if used as part of a large scale fixed installation, large scale industrial tools, or for research and development. Mechanical products, which do not use electricity or electric fields, remain outside the scope of RoHS 2.

Ashcroft is dedicated to serving its customers by proactively developing and implementing a RoHS 2 program well in advance of our products' entry into scope. If you have additional concerns are requirements regarding RoHS, please feel free to contact us at <a href="mailto:rohs@ashcroft.com">rohs@ashcroft.com</a>.

Best Regards,

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