

May 1, 2008

### Horsehead Pre-registration under REACH

Horsehead Corporation is currently evaluating the impact of the European Union REACH regulation on sales of its zinc oxide products in the European Union and the European Economic Area. Horsehead intends to timely pre-register the substance Zinc Oxide, CAS No. 1314-13-2, which comprises the standard zinc oxide grades listed below. This will permit Horsehead to continue the sale of these products in the EU/EEA after the 1 June 2008 deadline under REACH. Horsehead is presently evaluating its options relative to appointing an "Only Representative" to pre-register these substances as set forth under the REACH Regulations.

#### Covered Standard Grades

*USP Grades:* USP1, USP2, & USP3

*Kadox 900 series:* 911, 911C, 911CH, 911CHA, 911CP, 911H, 911P, 915, 920, 920C, 920CH, 920CO, 920CP, 920H, 920P, 930, 930C, 930CH, 930CO, 930CH

*Kadox 700 series:* 720C, 720CH, 720CP, 720H, 720P

*Pigment & Ceramic Grades:* XX503R, Cerox 506, XX601R

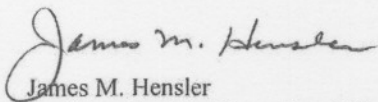
*Specialty Grades:* Zinvisible, SP-500.

Horsehead Corporation manufactures additional zinc oxide products not listed above such as blends of zinc oxide with other ingredients (preparations in REACH terminology). Horsehead's continued sale of blended products will depend on whether their manufacturers are registering the substances comprising such products. Horsehead is in the process of contacting these suppliers to determine their REACH intentions. Horsehead will also consider replacement of unregistered substances with registered substances on a case by case basis. While Horsehead is making efforts to be able to continue to sell blended products (and other products not listed above) in the EU/EEA, Horsehead reserves the right to discontinue the sale of these zinc oxide products based on its own independent evaluation of such business as it develops additional information regarding market size, direct and indirect export volumes, regulatory and environmental issues, and the overall cost of compliance with REACH.

Horsehead Contact for REACH status:

Terry F. Beckwith  
Director, Quality Assurance and Technical Services

Sincerely,



James M. Hensler  
President & Chief Executive Officer