

COMPANY DECLARATION

Zwijndrecht, 16th April 2008

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Re: INEOS OXIDE Ltd REACH

INEOS OXIDE is of course well aware of REACH and the timetable for pre-registration and registration. The published regulation remains complex and will have significant impacts on all manufacturers, importers and downstream users in the European Union requiring indeed a joint collaboration across all supply chains.

We are clearly committed to meeting our legal obligations under REACH, as a manufacturer, and have been preparing for it. However, as a number of important technical details – e.g. guiding documents (RIPs) are still under development – as well as financial elements e.g. registration costs are not available yet, we cannot yet fully assess the impact of REACH on our complete product portfolio. Nevertheless we do not expect major issues with our products. Be advised that we will be working via syndicates/consortia to ensure all the required physicochemical/toxicity/eco toxicity data are being provided for.

Once the REACH consortia set-up becomes more concrete (consortia set-up is only starting), we will be communicating further with our own suppliers and customers to gather the information that we will need to ensure compliance in a timely manner.

Meanwhile, if you have any more detailed questions do not hesitate to contact me.

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