May 17, 2023

Dear Valued Supplier Partner,

As a World Leader in Sustainability, TE recognizes that our suppliers are an extension of our business operations and thus play an important role in providing us with the information we need to meet our regulatory and customer commitments. On May 30, 2023, TE will implement a new supplier survey in Assent to capture specific information on the United States Toxic Substances Control Act (PFAS) in our purchased products and materials as required under TSCA. The survey will look and feel very similar to other surveys you are already responding to in Assent, such as EU RoHS and REACH.

TSCA is a federal regulation that empowers the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to comprehensively manage chemicals in U.S. commerce. This includes reporting requirements under TSCA Section 8(a)(7), which apply to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

TSCA mandates the reporting of certain information from U.S. manufacturers of all PFAS chemicals, including PFAS created as manufacturing byproducts. Reporting is also required for PFAS imported into the United States, whether on their own or as an incorporated article component. PFAS are a large and complex group of chemicals. TSCA PFAS requirements apply to PFAS known to be used in U.S. commerce, as defined by the EPA’s Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) database.

PFAS are of increasing concern globally. In addition to the U.S. EPA, TE is tracking other governmental agencies looking to enact their own PFAS reporting requirements or restrictions, including the EU and the Peoples Republic of China. The TSCA PFAS Identification survey could be the first of other surveys that may require you to identify where these substances occur in the parts/materials you provide to TE.

If you have questions concerning this new survey or PFAS in general, please reach out to TE at productcompliance@te.com

Thank you for your cooperation.

Giuliana Orsini
Vice President and Chief Procurement Officer
TE Connectivity

Katrina Sonne Einhorn
Director, Product Environmental Compliance
TE Connectivity