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## **SAFETY DATA SHEET POSITION STATEMENT**

Gates Corporation has determined that our finished rubber products, polyurethane products and associated couplings/attachments, under normal and/or reasonably anticipated conditions of use, meet the regulatory definition of “articles” as referenced below and thus, are generally not subject to Safety Data Sheet (SDS) requirements:

**Article per EU REACH: European Union Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals, Article 31** – means an object, which during production is given a special shape, surface, or design which determines its function to a greater degree than does its chemical composition.

**Article per US OSHA: United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s Hazard Communication Standard 1910.1200 (c)** – means a manufactured item other than a fluid or particle: (i) which is formed to a specific shape or design during manufacture; (ii) which has end use function(s) dependent in whole or in part upon its shape or design during end use; and (iii) which under normal conditions of use does not release more than very small quantities, e.g., minute or trace amounts of a hazardous chemical and does not pose a physical hazard or health risk to employees.

For the purposes of this position statement and related analyses, assessments or judgments, finished rubber products are defined to mean any vulcanized (i.e. cured) rubber product for use per its intended purposes, which may include but not be limited to: ready-for-use belts and hoses, and bulk materials which may be cut to length or size by the end-user (e.g., spooled hose, finished belt slabs, etc.).