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## Re: California Proposition 65 (CA Prop 65) Statement

Zinc oxide (ZnO) contains lead (Pb) and cadmium (Cd) which are naturally occurring impurities in zinc oxide and Prop 65 listed (Pb for reproductive toxicity and Cd as carcinogen).

Shipments of ZnO from Zochem or agent warehouses comply with Prop 65 with no additional labeling required. Zochem packages, ships, labels, and sells ZnO only to industrial companies for further processing or otherwise use. Zochem does not sell ZnO directly to consumers.

Prop 65 requires consumer warning (consumer includes retail and online store sales), when consumer exposure is at or greater 0.5 micro grams per day Pb exposure by ingestion, absorption, or inhalation. Or exposure is at or greater than 0.05 micro grams per day Cd by absorption or inhalation (California Code states Cd ingestion is not a known route of entry for Cd to cause cancer).

Only our customers who place their products in the California consumer market are able and obligated to evaluate whether or not Pb and Cd exposure for the routes of entry stated above occur during ordinary use are above thresholds to require a Prop 65 warning. Generally speaking, once zinc oxide is incorporated into a consumer product by a Zochem customer, exposure for Pb and Cd from the ZnO would likely be absent or below thresholds with no Prop 65 warning required. If exposure is found at or above the Pb or Cd exposure thresholds, then the consumer marketing company or other responsible party must give clear and reasonable warning that the consumer product contains chemicals known to the state of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity.

Please contact your commercial representative, customer service, or the Zochem technical department representative(s) below for any further questions.

Regards,

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