

REACH Declaration**Munich, February 2012**

With regard to the pre-registration and registration, of substances as well as information about substances of very high concern (SVHC) and Restriction on Hazardous Substances (RoHS):

1. The Linde Group (hereinafter referred to as Linde) only supplies substances, preparations and products that conform to the REACH Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, and that any products or packaging that may contain substances of very high concern (SVHC) will be identified. This declaration forms an integral part of the delivery contract or business relationship between Linde and its customers.
2. Linde has registered the following substances in the > 1000 tonnage band:
 - **Acetylene** (EC-No. 200-816-9, Reg-No. 01-2119457406-36)
 - **Calcium Dihydroxide/Lime** (EC-No. 215-137-3, Reg-No. 01-2119475151-45)
 - **Carbon monoxide** (EC-No. 211-128-3, Reg-No. 01-2119480165-39)
 - **Sodium Hydrogencarbonate** (EC-No. 205-633-8, Reg-No. 01-2119457606-32)
3. All other substances in the Linde portfolio, that are either imported (from outside the EU) or manufactured, have been pre-registered and will be registered later according to the relevant REACH timeline.
4. Linde assures that substances, that are either imported or manufactured, which are not (pre-)registered according to REACH are covered by exemptions in the regulation, either in the articles or Annex's.
The most important exemptions concern the following substances:
 - **Nitrogen, Oxygen, Argon, Helium, Neon, Krypton, Xenon**
 - **Carbon dioxide, Hydrogen**
 - **Natural gas and Liquefied petroleum gas**
 - **Any mixtures containing these substances.**
 - **Medical and Food gases**
5. Linde further assures that the substances, preparations and products supplied by Linde, but not manufactured by Linde fulfil all the requirements of the REACH regulation.
Linde has obtained from its suppliers (hereinafter referred to as sub-supplier) guarantees that they will only supply products that conform to the REACH regulation in a separate declaration.
6. In cases where a product or packaging may contain a substance of very high concern (SVHC) Linde will provide customers with the relevant information within 45 days of an inquiry being made according to Title IV of REACH.
Linde has obligated its sub-suppliers to determine, document and notify it of any SVHC substances by corresponding declarations.
7. Linde's products are controlled according to the Restriction on Hazardous Substances (RoHS) EU Directive 2002/95/EC
8. Linde will ensure that its obligations to Classify and Label products, as well as produce and send Safety Data Sheets are in accordance with the relevant regulations.

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